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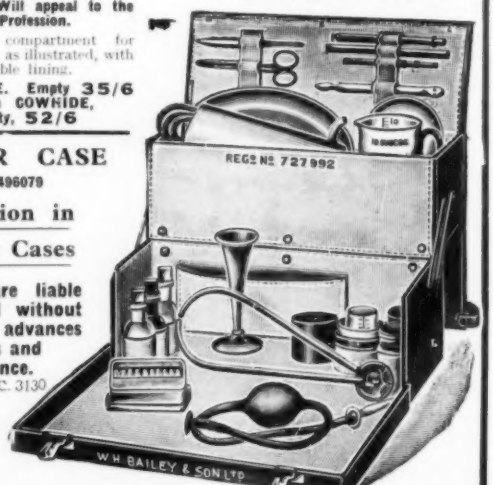

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PUBLIC HEALTH VACANCIES

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CITY OF NORWICH

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **Health Visitor and School Nurse.** Salary £200 per annum, rising to £250 per annum.

The duties chiefly will be those in connection with the treatment of discharging ears in children and assisting at Infant Welfare Centres.

For particulars, send stamped addressed envelope to the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, 62, St. Giles Street, Norwich, by whom applications for the post must be received not later than 23rd December, 1939. (931)

COUNTY BOROUGH OF DUDLEY

APPOINTMENT OF HEALTH VISITOR AND SCHOOL NURSE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointment of a **Health Visitor and School Nurse** under the authority of the County Borough of Dudley.

Applicants must be State-registered Nurses with the Certificate of the Central Midwives Board and the new Health Visitor's Certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute.

The salary will be at the rate of £200, rising by annual increments of £6 10s. to a maximum of £226 per annum, in accordance with the Council's regulations of service. The necessary travelling expenses will be paid.

The appointment will be terminable by one month's notice on either side and will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government and other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1937, and to the candidate passing the necessary medical examination.

Applications, stating age, experience and qualifications, together with copies of not more than three recent testimonials, should be sent to the undersigned not later than the first post on Monday, 1st January, 1940.

GEO. C. V. CANT,
Town Clerk.

The Council House,
Dudley.
12th December, 1939. (963)

BOROUGH OF WANSTEAD AND WOODFORD

APPOINTMENT OF TWO WHOLE-TIME MIDWIVES

THE Council of the Borough of Wanstead and Woodford, acting on behalf of the Essex County Council, invite applications for the appointment of two **Midwives,** each at a commencing salary of £170 to £200 per annum according to experience, rising by annual increments of £5 to a maximum of £220 per annum plus motor car allowance of £40 per annum. Uniform allowance of £10 per annum and laundry allowance of £6 10s. 0d. per annum.

Each midwife appointed will be required to provide her own motor car.

In the event of the persons appointed being State Certified Midwives holding the three years' General Training Certificate in a Training School recognised by the General Nursing Council, from £20 to £30 per annum, as settled by the Council, will be added to the salary.

The appointments will be subject to the Staff Terms of Employment and Regulations and to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the persons appointed will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications, stating age, qualifications and experience, together with copies of not more than three recent testimonials must be delivered to the undersigned in envelopes endorsed "Appointment of Midwife," not later than 28th December, 1939.

R. TREND BINKS,
Town Clerk.

Municipal Offices,
High Road,
Woodford, E.18.
16th December, 1939. (918)

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

MIDWIVES ACT, 1936—SECTION 2(1)

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointments of **County Midwives.**

The appointments will be determinable by three months' notice on either side.

The Midwives will be required to undertake the general duties of County Midwives in any specified area of the County, and they must hold the certificate of the Central Midwives Board.

Salary (*a*) in the case of Midwives who are also General Trained State-registered Nurses, £200, rising by annual increments of £10 to £250 per annum, plus an allowance of £10 per annum for uniform and laundry.

(*b*) Midwives with midwifery training only —£175, rising by annual increments of £5 to £200 per annum, plus an allowance of £10 per annum for uniform and laundry.

The Officers appointed will be required to devote their whole time to the service of the County Council, and will not be allowed to engage in private practice or any other employment or occupation. The officers appointed will be required to work under the direction of the County Medical Officer in such part of the County as he may from time to time direct.

The posts will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

No application form is issued, but applications, stating age, qualifications and previous experience, and whether married or single, and accompanied by copies of not more than three recent testimonials, should be sent to the undersigned in envelopes endorsed "County Midwife" not later than 23rd December, 1939.

W. M. ASH,
County Medical Officer of Health.

New County Offices,
Derby.
29th November, 1939. (830)

CITY OF STOKE-ON-TRENT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

SCHOOL NURSE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **School Nurse** in the School Medical Service of the Stoke-on-Trent Education Authority.

Candidates must be State-registered Nurses and have the qualifications C.M.B. and Health Visitor's certificate.

Salary scale: £200 per annum, rising by annual increments of £10 to £240 per annum, subject to satisfactory service. Uniform is provided.

The person appointed will work under the control and direction of the School Medical Officer and will be subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Form of application and list of duties may be obtained from the undersigned on receipt of a stamped, addressed foolscap envelope. The form must be filled up in the candidates' own handwriting and submitted not later than the 31st December, 1939.

Canvassing, directly or indirectly, will be considered a disqualification.

J. F. CARR,
Director of Education.

Education Offices,
Town Hall,
Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent. (840)

CITY OF MANCHESTER

HEALTH VISITORS

THE Public Health Committee invites applications from candidates whose qualifications meet the requirements of the Ministry of Health for two vacancies on the health visiting staff.

Commencing salary £215 per annum rising at stated intervals to £295 per annum, subject to the terms and conditions of the Manchester Corporation Grading Scheme, with a uniform allowance.

Application forms may be obtained from the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, Public Health Department, Town Hall, Manchester, 2, and must be returned endorsed "Health Visitor" to reach him not later than Saturday, December 23rd, 1939.

R. H. ADCOCK
Town Clerk.

December, 1939. (860)

CANNOCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT OF HEALTH VISITOR AND SCHOOL NURSE

APPLICATIONS are invited for post in the Public Health Department of **Health Visitor and School Nurse** at a commencing salary at the rate of £225 per annum, rising by annual increments of £5 to a maximum of £260 per annum, together with a uniform and travelling allowance of £10 per annum.

Applicants must be spinsters or widows of not more than 35 years of age and must be generally trained State-registered Nurses possessing the certificate of th Central Midwives Board and the Health Visitor's Certificate. The post will be determinable by two months' notice on either side and subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. The selected candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications on forms containing list of duties to be obtained from the undersigned (upon receipt of a stamped addressed envelope) accompanied by copies of three recent testimonials, must be delivered to the undersigned not later than the first post on Monday, the 1st January, 1940.

Canvassing directly or indirectly will be deemed a disqualification.

WM. C. SPEEDY,
Clerk to the Council.

Council House,
The Green,
Cannock,
Staffs. (961)

NORTH RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT OF MIDWIFE

APPLICATIONS are invited from State-registered Nurses holding the Central Midwives Board Certificate, with recent post-graduate experience in domiciliary midwifery for an appointment as **Midwife** in the Borough of Thornaby-on-Tees.

The successful candidate will be required :—

(i) To pass an approved medical examination, and

(ii) To reside within a specified area in the Borough of Thornaby-on-Tees.

Commencing salary £180 per annum, rising by annual increments of £10 to £210 per annum, with annual allowances of £10 for uniform and £5 for bicycle. Telephone, laundry, equipment and drugs provided by the Authority.

The appointment is subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Forms of application can be obtained from the undersigned, to whom they should be returned, together with not more than three recent testimonials, by Saturday, the 23rd December, 1939.

H. G. THORNLEY,
Clerk of the County Council.

County Hall,
Northallerton.
5th December, 1939. (891)

CITY OF MANCHESTER

MUNICIPAL MIDWIFERY SERVICE

THE Public Health Committee invites applications for the post of municipal midwife from certified midwives with post certificate experience of midwifery.

Commencing salary £215 per annum, rising at stated intervals to £295, subject to the terms and conditions of the Manchester Corporation Grading Scheme, and cost of living variation, with allowances for uniform, laundry and travelling expenses.

Application forms, with full information, may be obtained on application to the MEDICAL Officer of Health, Public Health Department, Town Hall, Manchester, 2, and must be returned to him, endorsed "Municipal Midwife" not later than Friday, December 22nd, 1939.

R. H. ADCOCK,
Town Clerk.

Town Hall,
Manchester, 2.
December 1st, 1939. (837)

COUNTY COUNCIL OF DERBYSHIRE

HEALTH VISITORS AND SCHOOL NURSES

APPLICATIONS are invited for the above appointments.

The salary is £210, rising by annual increments to £255 per annum, together with reasonable travelling expenses. Candidates will be required to be fully trained nurses possessing the certificate of the Central Midwives Board, and either to have held the post of Health Visitor under a Local Authority or to hold the new Health Visitor's Certificate approved by the Ministry of Health. The Officer appointed will be required to work under the supervision of the County Medical Officer, and to devote the whole of her time to duties in connection with maternity and child welfare, tuberculosis and school medical services, and to reside in such parts of the County as may be required. The duties do not include midwifery.

The posts will be subject to the Provision of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

Forms of application may be obtained from the undersigned, to whom they should be returned completed by not later than first post 23rd December, 1939, together with copies of not more than three recent testimonials.

W. M. ASH,
County Medical Officer.

New County Offices,
Derby.
5th December, 1939. (900)

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK

SUPERVISOR OF MIDWIVES

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **Supervisor of Midwives.**

The salary will be at the rate of £240-£270 per annum with uniform and travelling allowances. The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937.

The Supervisor shall exercise supervision over all midwives practising in the area comprising midwives appointed by the County Council under the Maternity Services (Scotland) Act, including midwives employed by District Nursing Associations and midwives in private practice.

The qualifications for the post in terms of Section 2 (c) of the Midwives (Qualifications of Supervisors) Regulations (Scotland) 1937, are as follows :—

A certified midwife whose name is included in the Roll of Midwives required to be kept under the Midwives (Scotland) Act, 1915, who is registered in the general part of the Register of Nurses required to be kept under the Nurses Registration

County Council of the County of Lanark.—*Contd.*

(Scotland) Act, 1919, and who has had practical experience in midwifery, including domiciliary midwifery, for at least three years subsequent to becoming a certified midwife; provided that at least one year of the said period of three years shall have occurred within a period of two years prior to her first appointment, whether before or after the date of these Regulations, to exercise supervision over midwives.

Preference will be given to applicants who do not exceed 45 years of age.

Applications stating age and qualifications should be sent to the COUNTY CLERK, Lanarkshire House, 191, Ingram Street, Glasgow, C.1, on or before 20th December, 1939. (912)

HOSPITAL AND OTHER VACANCIES

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COATBRIDGE AND AIRDRIE MATERNITY HOSPITAL

APPOINTMENT OF MATRON

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **Matron** in the above Hospital. Applicants must be under 45 years of age, or at present in a superannuated post, must be State-registered general trained nurses, and possess the Certificate of the Central Midwives Board for Scotland or its equivalent. Experience in Hospital administration is essential. Salary £140 rising by annual increments of £10 to £170 with £10 uniform allowance. The post is superannuated and the successful candidate must pass a medical examination.

Six copies of application, stating full experience, and of not more than three recent testimonials, to be lodged with the undersigned in envelope endorsed, Matron, not later than 3rd January, 1940.

T. D. SCOTT,
Clerk to the Board of Management.

136, Buchanan Street,
Glasgow, C.1. (920)

CITY OF MANCHESTER

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WITHINGTON HOSPITAL (1,150 BEDS)

Appointment of Matron

THE Public Health Committee invites applications for the position of **Matron** at the Withington Hospital, which will become vacant on May 6th, 1940.

Candidates must be fully trained State-registered nurses and S.C.M., and have held responsible administrative hospital appointments.

The hospital is a general hospital for adults containing 1,150 beds, and is a recognised training school for nurses. The number of nursing staff is 344, including 190 probationers.

Salary £520 rising by £20 annually to £560 per annum, including full residential emoluments valued at £160 per annum. The commencing cash salary is, therefore £360 per annum.

Full particulars on application to the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, Hospitals Administration Section, P.O. Box 399, Town Hall, Manchester, 2. Completed application forms must be returned not later than January 6th, 1940.

R. H. ADCOCK,
Town Clerk.

Town Hall,
Manchester, 2.
December 11th, 1939. (944)

WANTED: MATRON, MOLD COTTAGE HOSPITAL

SALARY £120 and uniform. Knowledge of X-ray essential.

Apply with recent testimonials on or before 7th January, 1940, to THE SECRETARY, Hillside, Mold. (975)

COUNTY BOROUGH OF ST. HELENS

PEASLEY CROSS ISOLATION HOSPITAL

ASSISTANT **Matron** required for the above Hospital (104 beds). Duties will be to generally assist the Matron in administration and in the teaching of probationers. Candidates must be General and Fever Trained and should be able to teach in accordance with the syllabus of the General Nursing Council. Salary £110 per annum rising by annual increments of £5 to £130 per annum. Board, residence, uniform, etc., provided. Superannuation scheme in force.

Applications to be forwarded to MATRON, Peasley Cross Isolation Hospital, St. Helens, not later than the 2nd January, 1940.

Canvassing members of the Council or Committees of the Corporation will be a disqualification. (941)

COVENTRY AND WARWICKSHIRE HOSPITAL, COVENTRY

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **Second Assistant Matron.**

Candidates should hold the Housekeeping Certificate.

Commencing salary £120.

Federated Superannuation Scheme in force.

Apply, stating age and with particulars of training and experience to the MATRON. (978)

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ROYAL INFIRMARY, STOKE-ON-TRENT

(412 BEDS)

WANTED for early in January next **Assistant Sister Tutor** for Preliminary Training School. Previous teaching experience desirable. Salary £100 per annum. Federated Superannuation Scheme in force.

Apply with full particulars of training and experience to the MATRON.

11th December, 1939. (946)

HULL CORPORATION HEALTH DEPARTMENT

HULL CITY HOSPITAL

Deputy Matron

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointment of **Deputy Matron** at the Hull City Hospital for Infectious Diseases, Cottingham. (At present the Sanatorium, Cottingham, is being used as the Infectious Diseases Hospital.)

Candidates, who must be under the age of 40 years, must be State-registered Nurses (General and Fever trained) and hold a recognised housekeeping certificate or similar qualification. Preference given to applicants with administrative experience.

Salary £155 per annum, rising by annual increments of £10 to £185 per annum, together with residential emoluments valued at £90 per annum.

The appointment is subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Application forms to be obtained from the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, Guildhall, Hull, to whom they should be returned not later than 10 a.m. on Saturday, 30th December, 1939. (979)

Important Notice

CHRISTMAS, 1939

Owing to the Christmas holidays, NEXT WEEK'S issue of the "Nursing Times" will go to press a day earlier than usual.

Advertisements for this number (dated Dec. 23) should, therefore, reach us by 1 p.m. on TUESDAY, December 19.

ROCHDALE INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY

(110 BEDS)

THE Board of Management invite applications for the combined position of **Home Sister** and **Sister Tutor.** Also for **Ward Sister** (Women's and Children's Wards).

Candidates must be fully trained State-registered Nurses. The Infirmary is a general Hospital and a recognised training school for Nurses.

Home Sister and **Sister Tutor.** Salary £120—£130 (according to experience) per annum rising by annual increments of £5 to a maximum of £140—£150.

Ward Sister. Salary £85 per annum rising by annual increments of £5 to a maximum of £100.

The Federated Superannuation Scheme is in operation.

Applications, together with copies of three recent testimonials to be forwarded to the undersigned not later than 30th December, 1939.

CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE,
Rochdale Infirmary, Rochdale.
(845)

ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL, LEWISHAM, S.E.13

A SISTER TUTOR is required to take duty from January 1st, 1940. The successful candidate must hold a Sister Tutor's certificate and have had general nursing experience. The Federated Superannuation Scheme is in force. Commencing salary £120 p.a., with board, lodging, washing and uniform.

Applications with full particulars should be addressed to the MATRON. (947)

GLOUCESTERSHIRE JOINT BOARD FOR TUBERCULOSIS

STANDISH HOUSE, STONEHOUSE, GLOS.

WANTED, **Sister Tutor** and **Relief Sister** (combined post). Salary £100 rising to £110. Uniform allowance £8. Superannuation scheme in force.

Apply with Matron's name for reference to MATRON, Standish House Sanatorium, Stonehouse, Glos.

RICHARD L. MOON,
Clerk of the Joint Board.
(921)

ROYAL SURREY COUNTY HOSPITAL, GUILDFORD

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **Housekeeping Sister,** vacant early January. Housekeeping experience or certificate essential. Commencing salary £105 or £110, according to experience. Federated Superannuation Scheme in force. Uniform material provided.

Apply, with full particulars, to the MATRON, before 20th December. (953)

CITY OF SHEFFIELD

LODGE MOOR HOSPITAL FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES
(500 BEDS)

Sister Tutor

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **Sister Tutor.**

Candidates must be State-registered and be competent to give practical and theoretical instructions in accordance with the syllabus of the examinations of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, and must have had experience as a Sister Tutor.

Salary £130 per annum rising by £15 per annum to a maximum of £190, together with emoluments consisting of apartments, board, attendance, uniform and laundry, valued for superannuation purposes at £85 per annum.

The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidate will be required to pass the necessary medical examination.

Applications stating age, particulars of training and experience, together with copies of recent testimonials, to be forwarded (not later than Saturday, December 30th, 1939) to the MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT, Lodge Moor Hospital, Sheffield, 10. (922)

COUNTY BOROUGH OF DERBY

DERBY CITY HOSPITAL

NIGHT **Sister** required for Maternity Ward.

Applications are invited for the above appointment from nurses who are general trained, State-registered and possess the C.M.B. certificate. Salary £100 per annum rising by £10 annually to a maximum of £150 per annum.

The appointment is subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidate will be required to pass a medical examination.

Board, residence, laundry and uniform provided.

The City Hospital is a modern building, run on up-to-date lines and is recognised as a general and midwifery training school.

Applications, stating age, certificates held, and previous experience, should be forwarded, together with copies of three recent testimonials, to the MATRON, City Hospital, Derby. Candidates should also state the earliest date they would be able to take up duties if appointed.

In reply, please quote this journal.

GORDON LILICO,
Medical Officer of Health.
Public Health Department,
1, Derwent Street,
Derby. (926)

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

VACANCIES FOR NURSING STAFF

APPOINTMENTS are subject to the Lancashire County Council Conditions of Service and are pensionable. Medical examination necessary. Applicants for posts of Staff Nurse and higher grades must be State-registered. Emoluments (board, residence and uniform, etc.,), are additional to the annual salaries stated.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT
LAKE HOSPITAL,
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE

Night Sister, Maternity Wards. Salary £85 by £5 to £120 per annum.

Staff Nurses. Applicants must possess S.C.M. Certificate. Salary £80 per annum.

Staff Nurse. Salary £70 by £5 to £80 per annum.

ANNEXE WARD, DARNTON HOUSE,
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE

Staff Nurse. Salary £70 by £5 to £80 per annum.

Full particulars and forms of application from the CLERK TO THE GUARDIANS' COMMITTEE, Public Assistance Offices, St. Michael's Square, Ashton-under-Lyne.

MOORLANDS INFIRMARY,
RAWTENSTALL

Ward Sister. Salary £85 by £5 to £120 per annum. Candidates must hold S.C.M. Certificate.

Staff Nurses for Maternity Department and Ante-Natal Clinic. Salary £80 per annum. Candidates must hold S.C.M. Certificate.

Staff Nurse. Salary £70 by £5 to £80 per annum.

Probationer Nurses. Aged 18 years and over. Salary £30 first year, £35 second year, £45 third year, £50 fourth year.

Full particulars and forms of application from the CLERK TO THE GUARDIANS' COMMITTEE, Public Assistance Offices, Moorlands, Rawtenstall.

JERICHO HOSPITAL, BURY

Staff Nurses. Salary £70 by £5 to £80 per annum.

Probationer Nurses. Aged 18 years and over. Salary £30 first year, £35 second year, £45 third year, £50 fourth year.

Full particulars and forms of application from the CLERK TO THE GUARDIANS' COMMITTEE, Public Assistance Offices, Parsons Lane, Bury.

ULVERSTON INSTITUTION

Staff Nurse. Salary £70 by £5 to £80 per annum. Applicants must possess the S.C.M. Certificate.

Assistant Nurse. Salary £50 by £2 10s. 0d. to £60 per annum.

Full particulars and forms of application from the CLERK TO THE GUARDIANS' COMMITTEE, Public Assistance Offices, Town Hall, Ulverston.

COPLOW VIEW INSTITUTION,
CLITHEROE

Charge Nurse. Salary £85 by £5 to £120 per annum. Applicants must possess the S.C.M. Certificate.

Full particulars from the CLERK TO THE GUARDIANS' COMMITTEE, 12, York Street, Clitheroe, to whom all applications should be forwarded.

LEIGH INSTITUTION INFIRMARY,
LEIGH ROAD, LEIGH

Ward Sister. Salary £85 by £5 to £120 per annum. Applicants must possess the S.C.M. Certificate.

Full particulars and forms of application from the CLERK TO THE GUARDIANS' COMMITTEE, Public Assistance Offices, Leigh Road, Leigh.

GREEN LANE INSTITUTION,
PATRICROFT

Non-Resident Assistant Nurses. Salary £2 2s. 0d. per week together with meals when on duty and uniform valued at £35 per annum.

Full particulars from the CLERK TO THE GUARDIANS' COMMITTEE, Public Assistance Offices, Green Lane, Patricroft, near Manchester, to whom applications should be forwarded.

GEORGE ETHERTON,
Clerk of the County Council.

County Offices,
Preston.
11th December, 1939. (935)

COUNTY BOROUGH OF IPSWICH

BOROUGH GENERAL HOSPITAL

THE Council invite applications for a **Junior Night Sister.** Salary £90 per annum rising by £5 to £100 per annum.

Candidates must be State-registered Nurses and hold the C.M.B. Certificate.

The appointment is pensionable and medical examination necessary.

Emoluments, board, residence, uniform, etc., are additional to the annual salary.

Applications should be sent direct to the MATRON, Ipswich Borough General Hospital, Woodbridge Road East, Ipswich.

J. W. HUNTER,
Medical Officer of Health.

Public Health Department,
Elm Street, Ipswich.
27th November, 1939. (761)

ROYAL HALIFAX INFIRMARY

250 BEDS

PUPIL **Housekeeper** required February. Must have had Ward Sister's experience. Monthly honorarium £1.

Apply with particulars of training to MATRON. (729)

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

THE County Council invites applications for the following appointments:—

WARD SISTERS (RESIDENT)

Dover and Lyminge Institutions

Salary £85 a year, rising by £10 a year to £125 a year. Candidates must possess the C.M.B. certificate.

Hothfield Institution

Salary £80 a year, rising by £10 a year to £120 a year.

NIGHT SISTER

Coxheath Institution (RESIDENT)

Salary £85 a year, rising by £10 a year to £125 a year.

OR NON-RESIDENT

Salary £160 a year, rising by £10 a year to £200 a year.

STAFF NURSES (RESIDENT)

County Hospital, Dartford

Salary £70 a year, rising by £5 a year to £80 a year, or, salary £75 a year, rising by £5 a year, to £85 a year. Candidates must possess the C.M.B. certificate.

ASSISTANT NURSES (RESIDENT)

County Hospital, Sheppey; Lyminge, Malling, Faversham, Dover and Cranbrook Institutions

Salary £55 a year, rising by £5 a year to £65 a year.

FEMALE MENTAL NURSES
(NON-RESIDENT)

Sundridge (near Sevenoaks) Institution

Salary £130 a year, rising by £5 a year to £140 a year.

OR RESIDENT

Salary £60 a year, rising by £5 a year to £65 a year.

An additional sum of £5 will be paid for possession of R.M.P. certificate. Candidates must have had experience in similar duties.

Applications to be made on forms obtainable from the **Public Assistance Officer, County Hall, Maidstone,** to be returned to him not later than the 28th December, 1939.

The appointments are superannuable and successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

W. L. PLATTS,
Clerk of the County Council.

12th December, 1939. (974)

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

APPLICATIONS are invited for appointment to the following resident posts at the undermentioned County Institutions, namely:

Night Sister—Southwell County Institution

Salary £105, increasing by £5 annually to £135 per annum. Candidates must be State-registered Nurses and possess the Certificate of the Central Midwives Board.

Staff Nurses—Basford County Institution

Salary £80, increasing by £5 annually to £90 per annum. Candidates must be State-registered Nurses.

The emoluments assigned to each appointment, including the use of indoor uniform, are valued at £70 per annum.

The appointments are subject to the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications must be made by letter, stating age, qualifications and experience, accompanied by copies of two recent testimonials, and forwarded to me at once.

K. TWEEDALE MEABY,
Clerk of the County Council.

Shire Hall,
Nottingham.
December, 1939. (962)

KETTERING GENERAL HOSPITAL

NIGHT **Sister** required. Must have S.R.N., C.M.B. and have had good experience as Ward Sister in General Hospital.

Salary £95, rising to £125 with uniform.

Applications to be made to MATRON with full details of training and subsequent experience. (843)

VICTORIA HOSPITAL, PETTITS LANE, ROMFORD

31 BEDS

RE-BUILDING NOW

NIGHT **Sister** required, S.R.N., C.M.B. Salary £80 with £5 uniform allowance.

Apply with full particulars and photograph to MATRON. (855)

QUEEN'S INSTITUTE OF DISTRICT NURSING, (SCOTTISH BRANCH), SCOTTISH DISTRICT TRAINING HOME, 29, CASTLE TERRACE, EDINBURGH

QUEEN'S **Nurse** with two or three years' experience and interested in Maternity work, wanted to act as Senior Midwife and District Coach to Midwifery pupils.

For particulars regarding salary, etc., reply to MISS MANSON, Superintendent, 29, Castle Terrace, Edinburgh, 1. (945)

COUNTY BOROUGH OF SMETHWICK

ST. CHAD'S HOSPITAL

(147 BEDS)

ASSISTANT **Night Sister** required. Salary £80-£5-£95, with usual residential emoluments. Candidates should be S.C.M., with midwifery experience. Theatre experience also will be an advantage. The appointment is subject to the Local Government Act, 1937.

Applications should be addressed to the MATRON, St. Chad's Hospital, Hagley Road, Birmingham, 16. (954)

WILLESDEN GENERAL HOSPITAL, HARLESDEN ROAD, N.W.10.

NIGHT **Sister** required, S.R.N. Must have held Ward Sister's post and be good disciplinarian.

Salary £85 by £5 to £105. F.S.S.

Applications with full particulars of training and experience to MATRON, Willesden General Hospital, Harlesden Road, N.W.10. (987)

ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following appointments:—

Ward Sisters at St. Michael's Hospital, Braintree, and Orsett Lodge, Orsett. Salary £100—£7 10s.—£130 p.a.

Assistant Nurses at St. Michael's Hospital, Braintree, and St. Peter's Hospital, Maldon. Salary £50—£7 10s.—£65.

Staff Nurses at St. Peter's Hospital, Maldon, and Orsett Lodge, Orsett. Salary £80—£7 10s.—£95 p.a.

Apartments, rations, laundry and use of uniform, etc., are provided in each case, and valued for superannuation purposes at £70 p.a. Some nurses will be allowed to live outside the Hospitals in accommodation approved and paid for by the Committee within certain limits.

The salary will not necessarily commence at the advertised figure, but may be increased in accordance with age and experience.

A fortnight's holiday will be allowed after each six months' service.

The appointments will carry superannuation rights and will be subject to medical examination.

Application forms may be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to the PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OFFICER, Waterloo Lane, Chelmsford, and stating clearly for which post the form is required.

By Order,
E. S. HOLCROFT,
Clerk of the County Council.

County Hall,
Chelmsford. (985)

CITY OF LEEDS

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

ST. MARY'S INFIRMARY

FEMALE **Nurse Attendants** (Resident and Non-resident) required for the above Infirmary. Previous experience essential. Uniform provided. 48 hour week. Present salary scale of the Corporation:—

Resident.—£45-£65 per annum according to experience, together with usual residential emoluments.

Non-resident.—37/6 per week (plus meals when on duty).

Apply personally or in writing to the MATRON, St. Mary's Infirmary, Greenhill Road, Armley, Leeds, 12. References essential.

Canvassing in any form, either directly or indirectly, will be a disqualification.

Married women are not eligible for these appointments. (746)

CASSEL HOSPITAL, SWAYLANDS, PENSHURST, KENT

SISTER required.

The Hospital offers opportunity in the nursing of Psychoneurosis.

Salary £100 per annum. Contributions to approved pension scheme will be paid.

State training school, subsequent experience, date when free.

Apply the MATRON. (943)

WREXHAM AND EAST DENBIGHSHIRE WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

164 BEDS

REQUIRED, **Sister** for Orthopaedic Department, S.R.N., Orthopaedic Certificate with special experience in treatment of fractures. Salary according to experience. Uniform provided. F.S.S.N. and H.O. in force.

Apply to MATRON, with *copies* of testimonials.

Also **Staff Nurses**, S.R.N. Salary £60-£70 rising by £5 annual increments including uniform.

Apply to MATRON. (927)

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE WEST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following appointments:—

(1) **STAINCLIFFE COUNTY HOSPITAL, HEALD'S ROAD, DEWSBURY**

Maternity Staff Nurse. Salary £75—£5—£90.

Staff Nurses. Salary £75—£5—£85, and emoluments.

Probationer Nurses. Salary £40—£2 10s.—£45 per annum and emoluments.

(2) **WHITE ROSE COUNTY HOSPITAL, PARK LODGE LANE, WAKEFIELD**

***Theatre and X-Ray Sister.** Salary £85—£5—£120, and emoluments.

(3) **MIDDLETON-IN-WHARFEDALE SANATORIUM, Near ILKLEY**

Staff Nurse. Salary £75—£5—£85 per annum and emoluments, plus £5 if in possession of Tuberculosis Association Certificate.

Staff Nurse. Salary £70—£5—£80 per annum and emoluments.

(4) **SCOTTON BANKS SANATORIUM, KNARESBOROUGH**

Staff Nurse. Salary £75—£5—£85 per annum and emoluments, plus £5 if in possession of Tuberculosis Association Certificate.

Staff Nurses. Salary £70—£5—£80 per annum and emoluments.

Forms of application for the posts marked * can be obtained from the COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER, County Hall, Wakefield. For the other posts application forms can be obtained from the MATRON of each Hospital.

J. CHARLES McGRATH,
Clerk of the County Council.

County Hall,
Wakefield.
8th December, 1939. (981)

GRIMSBY CORPORATION HOSPITAL, SCARTHO, GRIMSBY

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR FEVERS AND TUBERCULOSIS

WARD **Sister** required for women's pavilion, early in January. Fever Certificate and experience in Tuberculosis an advantage. Must be competent to train probationers.

Salary commencing £90 increasing to £110. Holiday allowance given. Uniform given after one month. Superannuation scheme in force. (950)

BETHLEM ROYAL HOSPITAL, MONKS ORCHARD, BECKENHAM, KENT

DAY SISTER REQUIRED

DAY **Sister** (resident) for women's units only. Candidates must be fully trained State-registered Nurses holding the Mental Certificate, not over 35 years of age. Salary £169 0s. 8d. per annum with uniform.

Residential charges amounting (at present) ot 19s. 9d. per week are deducted for board, lodging and laundry. Employers' contributions paid to the Federated Superannuation Scheme for Nurses. This Hospital provides care and treatment for early cases of mental and nervous disorders of the curable type occurring in the educated classes.

Applications, stating age, particulars of training and experience with copies of testimonials, to be sent to the MATRON. (883)

SOUTHEND MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL, ROCHFORD, ESSEX

THEATRE **Sister** required. Commencing salary £105 rising by £7 10s. 0d. annually to £125 per annum, with emoluments and uniform.

Applicants giving age and full particulars to be sent to the MATRON. (942)

PRINCE OF WALES'S HOSPPITAL, GREENBANK ROAD, PLYMOUTH

VACANCY for **Housekeeping Pupil**, 12th January. Four months course. Certificate given. Full 15 per cent. Superannuation Fund Premiums paid by Hospital.

Apply to the MATRON. (939)

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

BIDDULPH GRANGE ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL

THE Lancashire County Council have a vacancy for a **Junior Sister** in the above Hospital and invite applications from persons possessing suitable qualifications.

The salary to be paid is £75, rising by £5 per annum to £85 per annum. Board, residence and laundry will be provided, together with indoor uniform after one month's service.

The person appointed will be required to pass a medical examination and to contribute towards the Council's Superannuation Scheme. The emoluments are valued at £75 per annum for this purpose.

Candidates must have obtained the S.R.N. Certificate.

The appointment will be terminable by one calendar month's notice on either side.

Applications, stating age, where educated, full details of previous and present appointments, certificates held, etc., and accompanied by copies of two recent testimonials, are to be sent to the MATRON, Biddulph Grange Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent, as soon as possible.

F. HALL,
County Medical Officer of Health.
Preston. (934)

NORTHAMPTON GENERAL HOSPITAL

MATERNITY **Ward Sister** required. Previous experience in midwifery essential.

Salary £95 per annum rising. Usual emoluments. Federated Superannuation Scheme.

Apply with full particulars to MATRON. (928)

THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, (King Edward VII Memorial) LADYWOOD ROAD, BIRMINGHAM, 16

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **Ward Sister**. Candidates must have had experience in the nursing of sick Children.

Form of application from the MATRON. (914)

COUNTY BOROUGH OF WEST HARTLEPOOL

ISOLATION HOSPITAL

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following:—

Sister. Must be General and Fever trained. Salary £90 per annum, rising by one annual increment of £10 to £100 per annum.

Staff Nurse. Must be General and Fever trained. Salary £75 per annum, rising by one annual increment of £5 to £80 per annum.

Staff Nurse (temporary). Must be General and Fever trained. Salary £75 per annum.

Board, lodging and laundry provided in each case.

The appointments are terminable by one month's notice on either side. Permanent posts are subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, and the selected candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

Applications, stating age, qualifications and experience, with copies of testimonials, to be sent to the undersigned not later than 12 noon, Saturday, 6th January, 1940.

J. W. MCKEGGIE,
Medical Officer of Health.

Health Department,
Durham House,
Victoria Road,
West Hartlepool. (968)

STOKE-ON-TRENT CORPORATION

WARD SISTER

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointment of **Ward Sister** for the Children's Ward at the London Road Hospital, near Newcastle, Staffs.

Candidates must be State-registered nurses and possess the C.M.B. Certificate, and must have had previous experience in the nursing of children. Salary £80, rising £5 annually to £100 per annum, with residential emoluments.

Candidates must not be more than 45 years of age, unless now in the service of a Local Authority, and the appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Applications, on forms to be obtained from this office, to be returned to the undersigned immediately.

E. B. SHARPLEY, Town Clerk.

Public Assistance Offices,
Kingsway, Stoke-on-Trent. (967)

WILLESDEN BOROUGH COUNCIL

THEATRE SISTER

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of **Theatre Sister** at the Willesden Municipal (Infectious Diseases) Hospital. Candidates must be registered as General and Fever trained Nurses and have had good theatre experience.

They must be under 40 years of age, single women or widows. A 48-hour week is in operation.

Salary £85 by £5 to £115, and after 8 years' service by £5 to £125, and in addition, if required to "live out" a cash allowance of £90 p.a. is payable.

The appointment is subject to a satisfactory medical examination, and to the conditions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. Form of application may be obtained from the MATRON, Willesden Municipal Infectious Diseases) Hospital, Brentford Road, Neasden, London, N.W.10. (976)

MARCH DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

WANTED, January, **Staff Nurse,** S.R.N. C.M.B. Cyclist—not elderly. Live in. Salary equal to Queen's Scale. Federated Scheme in force. Reception Area.

Apply with full particulars to HON. SECRETARY, Mrs. Walton, St. John's Rectory, March, Cambs. (924)

COUNTY BOROUGH OF WEST HAM

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointment of **Staff Nurses** and **Staff Nurses for ambulances** at Whipps Cross Hospital, Whipps Cross Road, Leytonstone, E.11. Salary £70 per annum, (which will be reviewed at the expiration of twelve months), with residential allowances and use of uniform.

Applicants must have had at least three years' training in a public institution which is a training school for nurses.

The successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination and the appointments will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Forms of application must be obtained from the undersigned, or will be forwarded on receipt of a stamped addressed foolscap envelope, and returned not later than 10 a.m. on Saturday, 30th December, 1939.

CHARLES E. CRANFIELD,
Town Clerk.

Public Assistance Offices,
Union Road,
Leytonstone, E.11.
1st December, 1939. (930)

ILFORD COUNCIL MATERNITY HOME

APPOINTMENT OF SISTER

SALARY £95 per annum rising by annual increments of £5 to £110; uniform allowance £10 per annum. Applicants must be on the State Register (General section) holding the C.M.B. Certificate.

Appointment is a superannuated one and is subject to a medical examination.

Applicants must be willing to do night duty when required; a sum during holidays in lieu of maintenance is allowed.

All applications in writing, giving experience, qualifications, age and full particulars of training to be made immediately to the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, Public Health Offices, Valentines Mansion, Ilford.

12th December, 1939. (964)

HULL CORPORATION HEALTH DEPARTMENT

BEVERLEY ROAD HOSPITAL
(400 BEDS)

Ward Sisters

APPLICATIONS are invited for the above appointments.

Salary £85 per annum, rising by annual increments of £5 to £105 per annum, together with uniform and the usual residential emoluments.

Candidates must be between 30 and 40 years of age, be State-registered Nurses, and possess the C.M.B. certificate.

Application forms may be obtained from, and returned duly completed to, the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, Guildhall, Hull. (977)

STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY MENTAL HOSPITAL, BURNTWOOD, NEAR LICHFIELD

SISTER, fully hospital trained and possessing Nursing Certificate of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association or the Mental Section of the General Nursing Council, required for the Female Infirmary.

Salary 65s. 3d. per week of 48 hours, with deductions at the rate of 19s. 10d. per week for full board, lodging and washing. 1s. 10d. per day ration money is allowed for meals not taken in the Hospital when off duty.

The appointment is subject to the provisions of the Asylums Officers' Superannuation Act, 1909.

Apply to the MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT. (917)

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Kingston County Hospital,
Wolverton Avenue, Kingston-upon-Thames

THEATRE **Sister** required at the above Hospital. Candidates must be State-registered Nurses and must have considerable experience in an operating theatre.

Commencing salary £100 p.a., rising by annual increments of £5 to £120 p.a., together with full residential emoluments valued at £70 p.a. The post is subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Further particulars and forms of application may be obtained from the MATRON of the Hospital.

DUDLEY AUKLAND,
Clerk of the Council.

County Hall,
Kingston-upon-Thames.
15th December, 1939. (983)

CROYDON BOROUGH COUNCIL

MAYDAY HOSPITAL,
THORNTON HEATH, SURREY

VACANCIES exist for **Staff Midwives.** Salary £90 by £5 per annum to £100.

The posts are subject to the terms and conditions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

All salaries, with board, residence and uniform valued at £80 per annum. Successful candidates will be required to pass a medical examination.

For full particulars apply, enclosing stamped addressed envelope, to the MATRON. (882)

GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

INVITE applications for the following **Public Assistance Appointment:—**

THORNBURY INSTITUTION

Staff Nurse. Salary £75 a year rising £5 a year to £85 a year with rations, apartments, laundry and uniform. Applicants must be fully trained State-registered Nurses, holding C.M.B. Certificate.

The Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, will be applicable to the above appointment, and the successful applicant will be required to pass a medical examination. Forms of application may be obtained from the PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OFFICER, 2, College Street, Gloucester, to be returned to him not later than the 23rd December, 1939.

RICHARD L. MOON.
Clerk of the County Council. (940)

KENT AND CANTERBURY HOSPITAL

STAFF **Nurse,** State-registered, required for the Crole Wyndham Memorial Convalescent Home, Herne Bay. (16 beds). Salary £70 per annum with board, residence and laundry. Applicants must be willing to participate in the Federated Superannuation Scheme for Nurses.

Applications, together with copies of two recent testimonials, and giving full particulars of experience, should be sent to the MATRON, Kent and Canterbury Hospital, Canterbury, immediately. (948)

SELLY OAK HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM, 29

STATE-REGISTERED **Nurses** required. Candidates must be fully trained nurses on the General part of the Register. Salary, with General Certificate only, £65 per annum; with C.M.B. Certificate, £75 per annum.

Also **State-registered Nurses** required to take Midwifery training Part "A." Experienced **Theatre Nurses** required; for full particulars apply to the MATRON. (952)

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL

APPLICATION forms obtainable for the undermentioned appointments by sending stamped, addressed foolscap envelope to the "MATRON D" of the appropriate Hospital. Canvassing direct or indirect disqualifies.

STAFF NURSE MIDWIVES*
Middlesex County Maternity Hospital, Bushey Heath, Herts.

Non-resident. Must be S.R.N. and S.C.M., with experience in maternity nursing. Salary £95 by £5 to £110 per annum, with non-resident allowance of £70 per annum, indoor uniform, laundry thereof and meals on duty.

STAFF MENTAL NURSE.*
West Middlesex County Hospital, Isleworth, Middlesex.

Non-resident. Must be S.R.N. (general) and must also either be S.R.N. (mental) or hold R.M.P.A. certificate. Salary £95 by £5 to £110 per annum, with non-resident allowance of £70 per annum, indoor uniform, laundry thereof and meals on duty.

STAFF NURSES*
Central Middlesex County Hospital, Willesden, N.W.10

Resident, for general work. Must be S.R.N. with experience. Salary £85 by £5 to £100 per annum, with full residential emoluments. If also S.C.M., an additional £5 per annum is paid.

PROBATIONER NURSES
Redhill County Hospital, Edgware, Middlesex.
Hillingdon County Hospital, Near Uxbridge, Middlesex
West Middlesex County Hospital, Isleworth, Middlesex.

Applicants must be single girls or widows of 18 to 30 years. Four year course of training in the theory and practice of nursing in preparation for the State General Nursing examinations. Three months' preliminary trial period. Salary £35 by £5 to £50 per annum, with full residential emoluments. Nurses already on a supplementary part of the State Register are accepted for two years' training for the State Final examination at a salary of £45 per annum (1st year) and £50 per annum (2nd year). Possibility of acceptance for midwifery training after passing final examination for admission to the State Register. Medical examination in connection with pension scheme.

County Sanatorium, Clare Hall, South Mimms, Barnet, Herts

Applicants must be strong, healthy single girls or widows of 18 to 30 years. Preparation for the Preliminary State Examination and Tuberculosis Association certificate during the two years at the sanatorium, and then transfer for completion of training to one of the Council's general hospitals. Commencing salary £45 per annum, with full residential emoluments. Medical examination in connection with pension scheme.

* Established and pensionable staff subject to medical examination.

C. W. RADCLIFFE,
Clerk of the County Council.

11.12.39. (988)

VICTORIA HOSPITAL, BLACKPOOL

(200 BEDS)

STAFF **Nurse,** S.R.N., and S.C.M., required for Maternity Ward. Salary £70-£5-£80. Uniform provided.

Federated Superannuation Scheme in force.

Apply with full particulars to MATRON. (951)

ISOLATION HOSPITAL, NORTHOWRAM HALL, HALIFAX, YORKS.

STAFF **Nurses** required. If S.R. and Fever Certificated, salary £70-£80 p.a. Fever Certificate only, salary £65-£70 and uniform.

Apply MATRON. (955)

THE KING EDWARD VII WELSH NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

APPLICATIONS are invited from Nurses (S.R.) for posts of **Staff Nurses** at Sully Tuberculosis Hospital, Sully, Glam.

Salary £80 by £5 to £90 per annum, plus maintenance. An allowance of £5 per annum will be paid if in possession of the T.A. Certificate.

Applications, giving full particulars, with copies of three recent testimonials, and a Matron's name for reference, should be addressed to the MATRON. (982)

BOROUGH OF LEIGH

"THE FIRS" MATERNITY HOME

Appointment of Staff Nurses

WANTED fully-trained **Staff Nurses** who must be State-registered Nurses and State Certified Midwives.

The staff comprises all trained nurses, there are no pupils.

Day and night duty alternately.

Salary £107 10s. 0d. per annum, increasing by two annual increments to £130 per annum. Emoluments include board, lodging, uniform and laundry. Four weeks' annual holiday is allowed with subsistence allowance in lieu of board. 1½ days each week and 2 hours each day are allowed off duty.

The appointments will be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the persons appointed will be required to pass a medical examination.

Forms of application and particulars of appointment may be obtained on application to the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, Town Hall, Leigh, Lancs.

Applications endorsed "Staff Nurse" together with copies of not more than two recent testimonials should reach the undersigned not later than the 18th day of December, 1939.

THOMAS B. BAMBER,
Town Clerk.

Town Hall,
Leigh, Lancs. (858)

HERTFORD COUNTY HOSPITAL, HERTFORD

(171 BEDS PLUS 63 EMERGENCY BEDS)

STAFF **Nurse** required. Applications are invited from State-registered Nurses. Commencing salary £75 p.a. Federated Superannuation Scheme in force. Uniform provided.

Please apply with full particulars to the MATRON. (932)

SEVERALLS MENTAL HOSPITAL, COLCHESTER

STAFF **Nurses** required not over 35 years of age, experienced, with either R.M.P.A. or G.N.C. Mental Nursing certificate.

Gross wages £137 16s. per annum to commence; deduction for board, attendance, lodging and washing at the rate of £1 3s. 4d. per week. Uniform free. Leave two days per week and two weeks on completion of every six months of service.

For form of application apply to the MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT. (32)

CLEAVER SANATORIUM FOR ADULTS, OLDFIELD ROAD, HESWALL, CHESHIRE

STAFF **Nurses,** general or fever trained and certificated, with tuberculosis experience.

Salary £65 to £70 per annum. If possessing both general and fever certificates or general and C.M.B. Certificates with tuberculosis experience, salary £70—£75 per annum; together with uniform and the usual residential allowances in each case.

Apply MATRON for further information, etc. (898)

CITY OF LEICESTER

CITY GENERAL HOSPITAL, GWENDOLEN ROAD

APPROVED TRAINING SCHOOL FOR MALE AND FEMALE NURSES AND PART 1 C.M.B. (NEW REGULATIONS)

(550 BEDS)

THERE are vacancies for **Staff Nurses** for General and Maternity Wards.

Salary £75-£85 p.a., or with C.M.B. or other special qualifications £80-£90 p.a.

The post is designated under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Applications should be made to the MATRON.

Please mention this paper.

WILFRID CARR,
Secretary.

Health Department,
Grey Friars,
Leicester.

15th December, 1939. (938)

GLOUCESTERSHIRE JOINT BOARD FOR TUBERCULOSIS

STANDISH HOUSE, STONEHOUSE, GLOS.

STAFF **Nurse** required. Salary £70 p.a. Uniform provided. Superannuation Scheme in force.

Assistant Nurses required. Must have Tuberculosis or Fever training. Salary £45—£55 p.a. If holding Tuberculosis Certificate, salary £50—£60 p.a. Superannuation Scheme in force.

All applications must be made to the MATRON, Standish House, Stonehouse, Glos.

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J. W. HUNTER,
Medical Officer of Health.
Medical Superintendent.

Public Health Department,
Elm Street, Ipswich.

27th November, 1939. (762)

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County Hall,
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The post is subject to the provisions of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, and the person appointed will be required to pass a medical examination.

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MARTIN SYKES,
Public Assistance Officer.

Felixwell,
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CITY OF BIRMINGHAM EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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P. D. INNES,
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Council House,
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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

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Public Assistance Department,
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12th December, 1939. (957)

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(966)

CITY OF SALFORD

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H. H. TOMSON,
Town Clerk.
(695)

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

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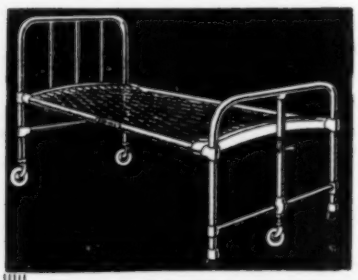

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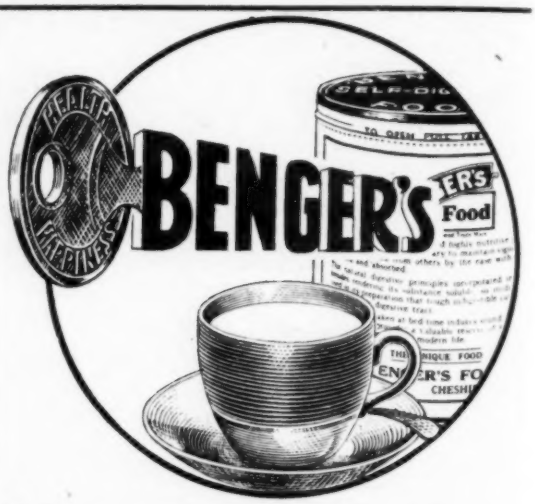

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Happy in Hospital

The First War-Time Christmas

TWO years ago we reminded our readers how, on Christmas day in the year 1935, Germany, through the skill of her chemists and scientists, had given to the world a life-giving remedy. On that Christmas day, the first of the prontosil group of drugs was patented. From its discovery the whole sulphanilamide group, which has been so potent in overcoming serious germ infections, is derived. How many lives have been saved throughout the world as a result!

One by one many of our most dreaded diseases have become curable. Puerperal fever and septicaemia, of which we were used to say, "There is no hope for these patients," miraculously abate: fever falls, pulses slow down and flushed, dry or profusely sweating skins regain their normal healthy condition in the course of a few hours. Cerebro-spinal and septic meningitis, pneumonia and gonorrhoea are cut short and cured in an almost unbelievable manner. Such was Germany's contribution to safe living in the world of medicine.

To-day Germany's latest gift to the civilised world is the destruction and not the conservation of life. It seems pitiful that the progress of science should be such a failure. We speak of the culture of civilisation. The word culture is derived from cultivation; to cultivate, to grow, to produce. Can nations claim culture when brains, ingenuity and resources become forces of destruction against man.

It seems ironical that the same country, which so recently gave the world the means of life should now be sowing death on so many sides. Can the world in no way escape from the self-destruction which embroils so many of us? Christmas brings us the answer and the fact that we celebrate Christmas as best we may in times of war, should remind us all that Christ came to show us the way of "Peace on Earth." Is that Peace coming? The answer depends upon the life that each one of us lives, just as the life of each one of us may depend upon it. A Happy Christmas, and may Peace come to us all!

Topical Notes

Nurses and the Ministry of Health

MISS FLORENCE HORSBURGH, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, has received a deputation from certain nursing organisations. The Royal College of Nursing was not among the organisations which sought this interview. The Secretary of the Royal College of Nursing had an interview with Miss Horsburgh on November 14 at which many problems affecting the nursing profession were discussed, as reported in the proceedings of the last Council meeting, and has since been in personal contact with her on other occasions. She has shown herself anxious to obtain the point of view of nurses, and able to appreciate their difficulties.

Museum Pieces

WILL the nurse ever come into her own? Eighty-five years ago Florence Nightingale began to learn by bitter experience that the way to obtain a satisfactory nursing service was to put nursing matters in the hands of nurses. One of the principles upon which she always insisted was that nurses should, as matrons, be in charge of the nursing staff and that in that way alone could good nursing personnel and nursing material be obtained and maintained. And yet to-day we hear that there are institutions in which it is necessary to get the signature of the medical superintendent as well as that of the matron for the issue of so vital a piece of nursing equipment as a measure jug. Again we wonder whether any ward sister engaged in active nursing work was asked to give her

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"Off To Work We Go"

Girls of the F.A.N.Y.S., attached to the Eastern Command Women's Transport Service, setting off for a morning's work cleaning and overhauling their ambulances

opinion on the equipment which the Ministry of Health considered it desirable to issue to every ward in each mental, public assistance institution, and other hospital which was " up-graded " into a casualty hospital. The instrument list ends with " two small silver female catheters." Are not these instruments generally regarded as museum pieces in the average civilian hospital of to-day ? They cost seven shillings each, though perhaps that sum is a small one in national finance under present circumstances. We only hope that they will be put safely away so that nurses are not called upon to polish them for the duration.

The Evacuees' Christmas

SINCE the air raids on Helsinki, parents in danger areas have been more reconciled to the thought of Christmas without their children, especially as they know that plans are everywhere in hand to give the little evacuees a good time. The Ministry of Health itself has issued a most human circular suggesting various Christmas activities. Every effort should be made by teachers and helpers to organise out-of-school activities for the children, so that the householders have some relief. Voluntary organisations will probably undertake some form of Christmas or New Year party and, while the work for these will necessarily fall on those who live in the receiving areas, the Minister has no doubt that the cost of providing some simple entertainment of this kind, both for evacuated children and for the children of householders who are caring for evacuated children, will be an object of special appeal to those who live in the towns from which the children have come. Local authorities are asked to consider what action they can take to facilitate the collection of funds and their distribution.

The "Personal Touch"

THIS careful consideration of the human side has indeed been a keynote of evacuation and Mr. Elliot again emphasised the value of the " personal touch " the other day when he received a deputation from the Standing Joint Committee of Industrial Women's Organisations in connection with evacuation. He agreed with the deputation that children still in reception areas should be encouraged to stay there, and thought that in this connection personal contact between parents and members of the body which the deputation represented would be most valuable. We are sure, by the way, that health visitors also are doing their utmost to persuade parents to take into account the effect on a child's mind and health of warnings and gunfire even if he were not actually injured by a bomb. The deputation also made suggestions with regard to recreational facilities for evacuees, the maintenance of the inspection and treatment normally given by the school medical services, the provision of boots and clothing, the need for long term planning and for the return to their normal duties of medical personnel transferred from

OUR CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Why not try your hand at solving our Christmas Crossword Puzzle ? Two prizes of 10s. 6d. and two book prizes are being offered for the first four correct solutions (see page iii of cover).

Getting Ready for Christmas

Sheffield nurses have found a new hobby which occupies much of their time when off-duty. They are seen making artificial flowers for decorating first aid stations and hospitals at Christmas

maternity and child welfare services to casualty services, and so on.

Let Caution Prevail

MANY people recently, including Lord Dawson of Penn, have been urging the return of the London hospitals to their normal sphere of action. But, in a letter to *The Times*, Mr. George Aylwen, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, gives the opposite point of view. He points out that the Government evacuation scheme had the full support of the medical profession, who themselves organised the sector scheme. The scheme as yet, fortunately, has not been tested, for up till now the war "has not behaved as a war might be expected to behave." But it is surely too early yet to alter plans which have cost so much to inaugurate. "The fretfulness of inactivity will quickly disappear with the first real shock of war," the writer says, "and if we are wise caution will still prevail. An efficient preparedness is to be commended in all; impatience is a thing to be deplored." Mr. Aylwen maintains that medical services are still available to all.

The Government Must Decide

MR. BERNARD DOCKER, chairman of the British Hospitals Association War Committee, has also written to *The Times* on the subject. He states that at a recent meeting called by the Ministry of Health, representatives from the bodies responsible for the hospital and sector organisation maintained that at the present time the needs of the sick did not demand a more general reopening of voluntary hospitals in London. They agreed, however, that it was for the Government, on the advice of its experts, to decide the amount of beds which should be reserved for air-raid casualties. Mr. Docker says in conclusion, "Should the Government decide to revise the number of beds reserved for casualties in a downward direction, they should at the same time consider where the reduction should take place in the light of the exigencies of the possible—and I would say probable—emergency."

How it is Spent

ALMOST £900,000 in cash has been raised for the Red Cross and Order of St. John Fund. How is the money being spent? Hospital supplies have already accounted for £70,000 and another £30,000 will be spent almost immediately on material for the Central Hospital Supply Service, which will include 223 miles of material and 8½ tons of wool. A first grant to the Prisoners of War Department has accounted for £10,000 and £10,000 has gone towards augmenting the supply of ambulances. In the last war the British Red Cross and Order of St. John spent over £17,000,000, so let us hope that money will continue to pour in.

Canadian Supplies

THE Canadian Red Cross has achieved almost as great a sum as our own and Dr. Fred W. Routley, their National Commissioner, has come to England to see that it will be well spent. A splendid hospital service is to be organised over here for the Canadian troops and he is also arranging for great quantities of medical supplies to be shipped here from Canada. Warehouses are to be filled with everything from bandages to bed covers so that there will be plenty if air raids develop. A Canadian War Hospital, which will be staffed by the Canadian Army Medical Corps and Canadian nurses, is being built on Lord Astor's estate at Cliveden, Bucks. And this is only a beginning. "From coast to coast there is a grim determination to see the war through," says Dr. Routley.

Surgery in Air Raids, with Special Reference to the Closed Method of Treatment.*—II

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HOSPITALS must have two kinds of operating theatres to deal with air raid casualties : (1) those for serious cases which need a general anaesthetic, (2) those for minor cases of which there is a very high proportion in an air raid, e.g., slight wounds that require stitches, closed fractures due to falls, and so on.

The cases must be classified on admission to hospital by surgical experts. Till late in the Spanish war, treatment of limbs was thought to be less urgent than treatment of thoracic and abdominal injuries or cranial wounds. Later, it was realised that the surgeon could do most for the limb injuries. The thoracic and abdominal cases seldom survived, in spite of treatment, but limb injuries, if treated at once, showed a very high proportion of recoveries.

After classification, the cases were sent either direct to the theatres, to wards, or evacuated to base hospitals, according to their nature. As routine treatment all wounded patients were given 3,000 units of tetanus antitoxin, and a blood transfusion, if necessary. Those sent to the operating theatre were, as a rule, given a general anaesthetic. Spinal anaesthesia was used for less serious injuries affecting the lower limbs when there was a good blood pressure. The part was washed with soap, water and a nail brush, and tincture of iodine was applied to the skin but not allowed to touch the wound. All damaged tissues, such as muscles and fibrous tissue, were removed, but as much skin as possible was saved. Only the skin around the edges of the wound, and skin of which the vitality was obviously impaired was resected. No muscle was left if it did not react well to the stimulus of pinching it with forceps, or if it was a bad colour, or had lost its blood supply. Bony fragments were preserved wherever possible. Bone was left, even when it was stripped of its periosteum. After replacing the bone fragments in position and removing the muscle, it was essential to drain all cavities formed, as these otherwise filled with blood-clot and serum, which quickly turned to pus. The best drain was found to be dry, sterile gauze. Occasionally a rubber drain was necessary, but only rarely.

The limb was then immobilised in a plaster cast which included the adjacent joints above and below the injury. The plaster was applied direct to the part, the wound alone being covered with a single layer of gauze. Neither cotton wool nor stockinette was allowed as this prevented complete immobilisation of the soft tissues, and also quickly became saturated with discharge and increased the foul smell from the limb, so that the plaster could not be kept on so long.

The plaster was applied by means of pieces of cotton flannelette cut to pattern and wrung out of plaster cream. Five patterns were kept ready in stock, shaped to fit the various parts, e.g., the forearm, the thoraco-brachial splint, the hip and the leg. Two layers of flannelette were applied for the hand, four for the shoulder case, four or five for fracture of the femur, according to the strength of the muscles. Plaster bandages were quite impracticable when 100 cases might require plasters in one day and speed was essential. The immobilisation completely relieved the pain in the part and so relieved shock.

The plaster cast was left on until the smell was unbearable or the plaster became soft from exudate. Usually it could be left till the fracture was united, but occasionally it had to be changed three or four times. An anaesthetic was not needed for changing the plaster if it was well supported by a good assistant, unless it was changed very early after the first application.

For a few days after operation the patient usually

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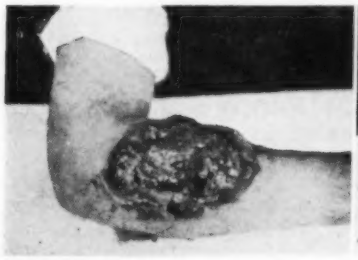


Wound of forearm referred to in Case 2. Photograph taken on admission, 10 days after the injury

Same case after removal of the plaster at the end of 15 days; healthy granulation and healing at the margins of the wound

Same case 70 days after the injury. In the interim there had been three changes of plaster. Healing is far advanced

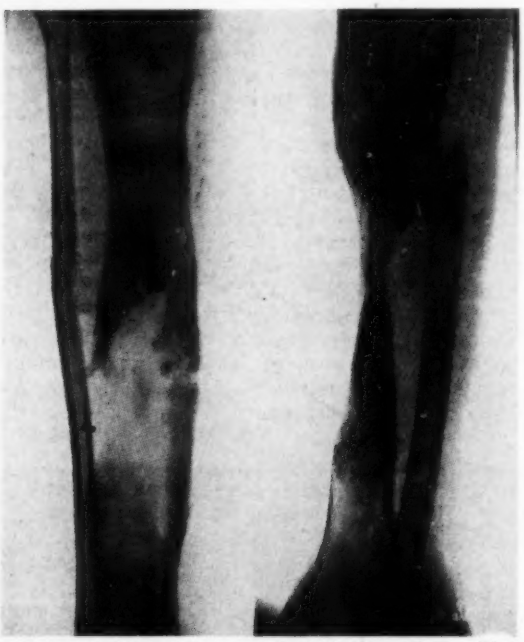
Fracture of tibia and fibula with gross destruction of the bones, muscles and skin. Conservative treatment was applied as there was still some circulation in the foot (Case 7).

Same case 11 days after treatment had been begun. The plaster was removed after two months and a second one maintained for a further three months

had a rise of temperature showing that a fight against infection was going on. A window was never cut in the plaster as this was found to cause a great deal of swelling and oedema at the site of the wound, owing possibly to lack of absorption from the wound and to lack of pressure on the tissues to immobilise them completely.

Case 1.—A severe wound of the forearm, with necrosis of the ulna.—He was sent in to hospital 10 days after injury, with a temperature of 104°F. A plaster was applied and after 10 days it was removed because of the smell. The wound was better, the oedema less, the temperature low and both the general and local condition much better. The next plaster was changed 20 days later; the wound was nearly healed, the temperature normal; there was no pain, the patient was sleeping and eating well and the only final ill effect was ulnar paralysis, as the nerve was completely destroyed.

Case 2.—A civilian with a wound in the forearm.—The arm had been raised to protect the head from fragments of a light bomb. It had been treated by the Carrel-Dakin antiseptic treatment. There was much suppuration and fever. The closed treatment was used and 10 days later the wound was very much better and when the second plaster was changed after another 20 days it was completely healed.



Radiograph of Case 7, pictures of which appear above. This was taken after the removal of the second plaster.

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Cases 3 and 4.—Very severe open fractures of the shoulder treated by thoraco-brachial plasters.—These healed without local oedema. A pictorial record exists showing the wounds at the changing of the plaster and when finally healed.

Case 5.—A badly injured forearm.—This was seen late, when necrosis of bone and some signs of cellulitis below the wound were present. Amputation was suggested by others, but the arm was opened and treated by the closed method; when the plaster was changed a large but clean wound with no oedema nor inflammation was revealed and the final result was very good, a useful limb being obtained.

Case 6.—A man with open fractures of shoulder and femur.—The wounds were very extensive.—After treatment of shock and blood transfusion both were treated and put up in closed plasters. Six days later there was no pain, no shock and the patient was eating and sleeping well, and the final results were good in both fractures.

Case 7.—Severe wound of the leg.—The anterior tibial artery was severed, but the posterior was intact and the circulation in the foot quite good. The limb was not amputated but treated by the closed method. In spite of severe injury to the tibia, X-ray examination during treatment showed satisfactory regeneration of bone, and a useful limb finally resulted.

I have treated 1,073 cases in this manner with only six deaths. One death was due to gas gangrene and one to wet gangrene.

The case of gas gangrene was very interesting. The patient had fractures in both limbs. The same day as that on which he was admitted I operated on 100 other cases. (We were unable to keep abdominal operations separate from other types of wound surgery, as there were never enough surgeons to do anything else.) The right leg of this patient was the more seriously injured and I attended to this first, and then went on to the left. The second day the right leg was all right but the left showed signs of gas gangrene. I made a large incision and found bruised tissue not seen at the time of operation. I learnt from this always to open up wounds very freely and never to sew up after excision, as any resulting tension was harmful.

The essentials of treatment of open fractures are : (1) rapid transfer of the patient to hospital, (2) complete excision of bruised tissue, (3) good drainage, (4) complete immobilisation of the part in a plaster cast, (5) prophylaxis against tetanus for all cases. Gas-gangrene antitoxin was not found necessary when treatment by excision of all bruised soft tissues was carried out.

(*Concluded*)

For the Student Nurse

Preliminary State Examination Answers

By the Sister Tutor Section, Royal College of Nursing

Anatomy and Physiology, Question 2.—*Give an account of the composition and functions of the blood.*

The blood is a thickish, red fluid, bright red in the arteries, and a dark purplish colour in the veins. It is slightly alkaline in reaction and varies very little during life. It is thick and sticky in consistency as a result of the albumen it contains. It consists of: (1) a fluid part called plasma, (2) a solid part made up of the red and white corpuscles and the blood platelets.

The plasma is a straw-coloured, watery, albuminous fluid. It consists of : (1) water; (2) mineral salts, e.g., carbonates, phosphates and chlorides of calcium, sodium and potassium; (3) proteins, e.g., albumen, which gives it its thick, sticky consistency and thus prevents it from escaping too readily through the porous walls of the blood capillaries; (4) foodstuffs, e.g., amino-acids, glucose and fat; (5) waste products, e.g., urea and carbon dioxide; (6) substances which cause clotting, e.g., fibrinogen, prothrombin; (7) antibodies, substances which fight germ infection in the body, e.g., antitoxins, which neutralise the toxins produced by germs and render them harmless, (8) hormones, i.e., secretions of the ductless glands.

The red corpuscles are very minute disc-shaped bodies, concave on either side. They are very numerous; there are 5,000,000 to one cubic millimetre of blood. They have no nucleus but consist of a special protein called haemoglobin. Haemoglobin is a pigment, yellow in colour but from the massed effect of the numerous corpuscles, it gives the blood its red colour. Haemoglobin contains a little iron and has a great attraction for oxygen. As a result, the corpuscles pick up oxygen as the blood circulates through the lungs and carry it to the body tissues, where the oxygen is given off to supply the tissue cells. When the haemoglobin combines with oxygen, the blood is made a bright red colour, but, as the oxygen is given off the blood becomes a dark purplish colour.

The red corpuscles do not live long in the circulation but fresh ones are constantly produced in the red bone marrow to maintain the supply, and worn-out corpuscles are broken down in the liver and spleen.

The white corpuscles, or leucocytes, are larger than the red but are less numerous. There are about 500 red to 1 white corpuscle normally, but the number of white corpuscles may be doubled, trebled or even more markedly increased when the body is fighting germ infection, e.g., in pneumonia. The white corpuscles are typical animal cells, consisting of protoplasm and nucleus and capable of amoeboid movement. They can therefore pass out through the porous walls of the capillaries and travel through the actual tissues themselves, whereas the red cells remain normally with the whole blood in the blood vessels.

There are various kinds of white corpuscles, the two chief being :—

(*a*) *The polynuclear leucocyte.*—This is a large cell with a divided nucleus; it is capable of free amoeboid movement by which it passes out into the tissues and engulfs and devours germs.

(*b*) *The lymphocyte.*—This is a smaller cell with a large single nucleus, and has less free amoeboid movement; it produces a digestive fluid, which can liquefy dead tissue. White corpuscles are produced by lymphatic glands, bone marrow and spleen; the manner of their destruction is not fully known.

The blood platelets are very minute bodies to be seen in clotting blood. They are much smaller than the corpuscles. They break down when blood is shed and set free a ferment or enzyme which plays an important part in the clotting of blood. They are split off from certain cells of the red bone marrow and are probably destroyed in the spleen.

The functions of the blood are :—

(1) To carry food, oxygen and water to the tissues of the body.

(2) To carry away the waste products from the tissues (e.g., urea and carbon dioxide) to the organs which excrete them.

(3) To fight germ infection by the white corpuscles and antibodies in the plasma.

(4) To check haemorrhage by the power of clotting.

(5) To distribute heat throughout the body and maintain an even temperature in all parts.

(6) To provide the materials from which glands make their secretions and to distribute to the tissues the secretions of ductless glands.

(*Note.—The answer should be illustrated by simple diagrams of the different types of cell.*)

State Examination Questions

FINAL SUPPLEMENTARY FOR MALE NURSES

Medicine and Medical Nursing Treatment.—Same questions as in Final General.

Surgery and Surgical Nursing Treatment, and Venereal and Genito-Urinary Diseases and the Nursing of These Diseases.—Same questions as in Final General (Surgery and Gynaecology, and Surgical and Gynaecological Treatment) except :—(3) What is meant by the term Torsion of an organ ? Give illustrations and indicate what complications might arise.

General Nursing.—Same as Final General.

FINAL SUPPLEMENTARY FOR SICK CHILDREN'S NURSES

Infant Care in Health and Disease, and Medical Diseases of Children

*(1) Discuss the commoner causes of vomiting in infancy.

(2) Describe the clinical features of rheumatism in childhood.

(3) How would you manage a child who suffers from enuresis ?

Surgical Diseases of Children

*(1) What are the symptoms of "shock" ? What is shock due to ?

(2) What are the signs and symptoms of a tuberculous joint ? Describe how such a case would be nursed.

(3) What do you understand by : (*a*) calculus, (*b*) caries, (*c*) caliper, (*d*) carcinoma, (*e*) coxa vara ?

(*Two questions in each paper must be answered*)

(*To be continued*)

The Christmas Rose

A Legend of the Nativity

Characters

THE NARRATOR
SETH, JOAB, TOM, *the three shepherds*
MYRA, *a little girl*
ANGELS
GASPAR, MELCHIOR, BALTHAZAR, *the three kings*
MARY
JOSEPH

Before the curtain

NARRATOR : Now we are going to take you far away from present days with their cares and anxieties, back through nineteen centuries to Bethlehem of Judea, and we will unfold to you the story of the birth of the Christmas Rose.

First we will ask you to imagine a hillside near Bethlehem. It is a cold night and certain shepherds are coming to rest awhile in a sheltered nook.

The Narrator moves away.

The curtain rises

SCENE : *A hillside near Bethlehem. Enter Seth, Joab and Tom.*

SETH : Eh, but it's cold to-night !

JOAB : As cold as ever I remember, and that's saying summat, seeing I be nigh on seventy year old.

TOM : But how clear it is, and see how brightly the stars do shine. Fair dazzling they be.

SETH : Oh you, young Tom, with your stars ! You be mazed I'm thinking. Hast seen aught of poor Caleb this night ?

JOAB : I do fear Caleb won't be found now. 'Tis past two days since he have been in his home and he so fond of his little one. He'd never stay away wilful like.

SETH : That's true 'nough. I do fear he must have slipped and fallen and then snow have covered him and his tracks.

TOM : I have searched and searched, but I can't find no trace nohow. That little Myra of his do be a proper little lass and terrible fond of him. 'Twill be a sore trouble to her if he be lost and she with no mother neither.

JOAB : Well, well, we must do what we can for her, though 'tis hard to replace a father. But it grows late. You take first watch and Seth and I will rest. You be younger than we. You can call us when you think 'tis time.

TOM : Ay, rest ye both. I'll watch my stars. When I be all alone with 'em, I do fancy they talk to me.

SETH : Daft like the boy be, but willing and quite harmless. Let's get some sleep, Joab.

They curl up in their wraps.

Tom watches.

Enter Myra, crying.

TOM : Why lass Myra, what be you doing here ? 'Tis late and a long way from your home.

MYRA : I'm looking for Father. He hasn't been home and I am afraid. I heard people in the village whispering, but when I drew near they stopped and looked at me, and one gave me some bread and milk and another said, " Poor little lass." I am sure they think some harm has come to him. If only I could find him !

TOM : Stay here with me awhile, lass and when morn comes I'll take you home again. Come close under my cloak; 'twill keep you warm. You shall watch my stars with me. See, that great one over in the East—like a golden ball 'tis.

MYRA : Oh, 'tis wonderful. (*The music of the "Coventry Carol" is heard.*) But, Tom, listen ! I can hear music—like angels singing—and 'tis coming nearer ! Oh ! (*There are sounds of music and then high on the hill appear Angels*). Who are they ? Shall I wake the others ? Tom, hold me close. I am afraid !

TOM : Seth, Joab, wake up !

Seth and Joab scramble to their knees and look up. Tom holds the child close.

ANGEL : Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you : you shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

As the Angels disappear the music ceases.

MYRA : Oh, it's all cold now ! Where shall we find the baby the angel told about ?

SETH : Maybe Tom's stars will show us the way, little lass.

TOM : They will an' all. Look ! See that great one there ! 'Tis calling us to follow.

MYRA : Take me with you—don't leave me alone !

TOM : Nay, we won't leave 'ee. Mayhap we'll find your father there, too !

MYRA : Oh, if we could !

JOAB : Come—let's away.

The curtain falls.

Before the curtain

NARRATOR : While the shepherds and the child were hastening to Bethleham, three wise men, by the command of Herod were travelling thither too—bearing in their hands rich gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The Narrator moves away.

The curtain rises.

A road near Bethlehem.

"We Three Kings of Orient Are," about 8 bars until three King's are on.

Enter Gaspar, Melchior and Balthazar.

GASPAR : We have journeyed far, and still we do not find the Child of whom the great prophet spoke.

MELCHIOR : My gift is heavy in my hands. I would we were near the end of our pilgrimage.

BALTHAZAR : Still the star keeps moving. We must follow the light.

The curtain falls.

Before the curtain.

NARRATOR : At last the star came to rest over the door of the stable and, greatly wondering, the Kings and the Shepherds entered.

The Narrator moves away.

The curtain rises.

" We Three Kings of Orient Are."

A Stable in Bethlehem. Mary is seated beside the manger. Joseph is standing. The three Kings enter and present their gifts which are laid at the foot of the manger. The Shepherds enter. Myra stays by the door.

SETH : We be but poor shepherds and have no gifts like these great gentlemen. But would'ee take this fleece to make a coat for the little babe. Pure white 'tis, and 'twill keep Him warm these cold nights. 'Tis the best we have.

Mary takes the fleece and puts it in the manger. Seth and Joab kneel. Tom is just about to do so too when he sees Myra is standing alone.

TOM : Mebbe, you'd be so kind as to let yon little lass come and see the Baby too. She've lost her father, and she be main sad and lonely.

Mary signs to him to bring her.

Come, Myra, the lady bids 'ee.

MYRA : I can't go. I have nothing to give the little Baby.

Away at the back of the stable a light shines and an angel appears.

ANGEL : Dry your eyes, little one. Pick those flowers and give them to your little Lord with all your heart.

MYRA : Oh, thank'ee.

She searches and finds some white flowers hidden in the straw of the manger. She kneels and puts one of them in the Baby's hand.

Oh, look, look ! He loves my flower. He is smiling at it ! (*Mary signs to her that she may kiss the Baby. She rises with the Baby in her arms and Myra clinging to her cloak. Music is heard and all remain kneeling.*

The Narrator enters.

NARRATOR : And ever since that holy night the Christmas Rose has brightened the earth with her starry blossoms.

The Narrator kneels, the *curtain closes and re-opens for the carol, "There was a Rosebud." Martin Shaw*

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Left : *Miss B. M. Martin, R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief of the Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service*
Above : *one of the nursing sisters*

Right : *Miss E. M. Blair, R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief of the Royal Air Force Nursing Service*
Left : *one of the nursing sisters*

Left: *Dame Joanna Cruikshank, D.B.E., R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief of the British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John of Jerusalem*
Right: *one of the nursing sisters*

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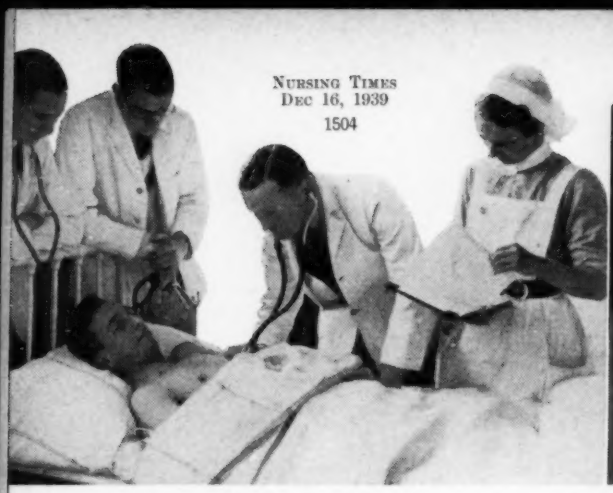
Right : *Miss C. M. Roy, R.R.C., M.M., Matron-in-Chief of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service*
Above : *one of the ward sisters*

Left : *Miss A. M. Phillips, R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief of the Territorial Army Nursing Service*
Right: *one of the nursing sisters*

Right: *Miss K. C. Watt, C.B.E., R.R.C., Principal Matron of the Emergency Medical Service of the Ministry of Health*
Left: *one of the trained nurse members of the Civil Nursing Reserve*



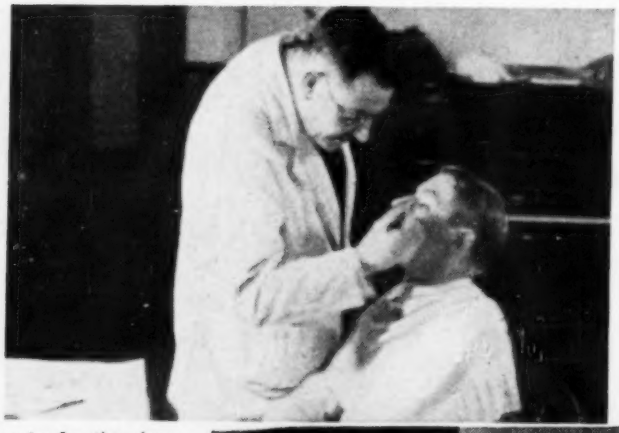
During the day the students are busy in the wards—

but in their free time they meet and discuss their current production

Brightening the Black-Out at Bart's

Bert, the famous Sadlers' Wells make-up man, is the only "pro" allowed to help

Below : producer Robert Dixon clears up a point with comedian Alf Evans



Nurses arrive for the show (right) and (below) find a seat in a crowded audience

Two Glimpses from the Show

Comedy comes on the stage with the Victorian glee party, and the tight-rope walker fails his task amid hilarious laughter from the audience

THE students of St. Bartholomew's Hospital have shown the way to brighten hospital life under the somewhat trying war-time conditions. The students have devised and planned a series of shows for the entertainment of the patients and of the permanent staffs of the hospital. They have built a stage in what was in peace-time the nurses' dining room, rigged up their own lighting arrangements and have made their own transmitter and microphones. Our cameraman shows you here some pictures taken as they planned, produced and played one of their most successful shows. (See also the frontispiece.)

The home-made transmitter takes the show into the wards. Ray Harvey, the announcer, describes a pantomime scene from his seat in the audience

It is evident that the patients (right) enjoy listening in

Drugs in Surgical Shock and Collapse

By SIDNEY OLDHAM, B.Sc., (Hons.), Ph.C.

SUBSTANCES capable of stimulating the heart in cases of severe shock and collapse may be the means of saving a patient's life, especially in cases of collapse due to surgical shock and loss of blood. If the heart can be kept functioning for the critical period of hours while replacement of fluid occurs, the patient's life may be saved.

Strychnine and Adrenaline

Previously, substances like strychnine, adrenaline and camphor were used to counteract shock. Strychnine is still used in large doses up to gr. 1/10; but its use is not unattended by risk and less toxic substitutes are now available. Adrenaline, given intravenously, is useful in surgical shock, but it is contra-indicated in haemorrhage occurring during light chloroform anaesthesia. In certain cases of sudden heart failure, injection of adrenaline directly into the heart muscle has dramatic effects. Adrenaline for intravenous injection should be well diluted with normal saline (1 part of adrenaline to 1-200 normal saline.) It is rapidly destroyed in the blood and its effects are thus only transient.

The Use of Camphor

Camphor has been much used as a cardiac stimulant. Being insoluble in water it had to be injected intramuscularly as an oil-ether solution. Such injections were painful and action was delayed owing to slow absorption of the camphor. Nevertheless results were good, so attempts were made to overcome the solubility difficulty. Finally a compound, camphor sulphonic acid, was produced; the sodium salt of this is soluble in water, possesses all the stimulant properties of camphor and is relatively non-toxic. One to 2 c.c. of a 15 per cent. solution such as Cardatone, for example, may be prescribed for carbon monoxide, gas or narcotic poisoning; for collapse under anaesthesia up to 6 c.c. may be given intravenously. When given intravenously, cardiac tone is improved, blood pressure raised and the whole circulation stimulated. If sodium camphor sulphonate is added to a continuous intravenous saline infusion its steady, gently stimulating action greatly facilitates the patient's recovery. This prolonged, *slight* effect is more beneficial than the short, *strong* effect of a small, concentrated injection. In many hospitals it is becoming a routine post-operative treatment. It tends to lower the incidence and severity of surgical shock and collapse. Sodium camphor sulphonate should be given only in isotonic solutions, e.g normal saline of six per cent. gum acacia solution A dose of up to five grams is added to a pint of infusion solution

Ephedrine is also used extensively now in a similar way. Acacia-glucose solutions with ephedrine (1 part in 8,000–1,000) are very effective in cases of shock with weakened heart action. The glucose supplies directly available energy, the gum solution a viscous fluid with a high osmotic pressure only slowly excreted, and the ephedrine increases pressure and tone by its vaso-constrictor action. For rapid effect ephedrine given in eight to 10 c.c. of normal saline, intravenously, is valuable and preferable to adrenaline. Some patients do not respond to ephedrine; there is often an initial fall in blood pressure followed by a well marked rise.

Synthetic Compounds

Certain synthetic substances quite unrelated to camphor are now available and have powerful cardiac and respiratory stimulant actions. Of these perhaps the best known are Cardiazol, Coramine and Icoral. Cardiazol (metrazol or pentamethylenetetrazol) is a rapidly acting cardiovascular stimulant, and may be given by mouth, by hypodermic, intramuscular or intravenous injection, or per rectum. A combination with ephedrine given orally is of value in bronchial asthma; by injection it is effective for circulatory collapse, especially under anaesthesia. Cardiazol has also been used in the convulsion treatment of schizophrenia.

Icoral is a mixture of complex synthetic drugs which have powerful cardiac and respiratory stimulant properties. It has been used for barbiturate and morphine poisoning and for carbon monoxide poisoning. Icoral and Cardiazol are also used to awaken patients from ether, avertin or evipan anaesthesia.

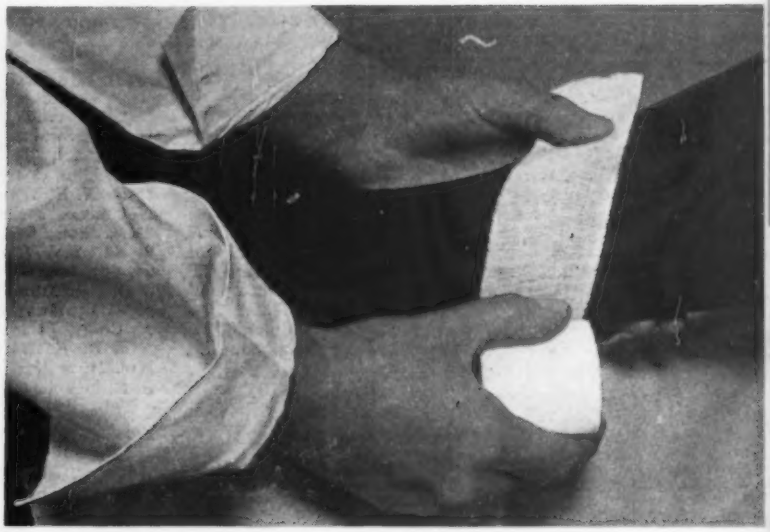
A Powerful Cardiac Stimulant

Coramine, a complex pyridine derivative in 25 per cent. aqueous solutions, has in many hospitals quite superseded strychnine and camphor in the treatment of collapse and circulatory failure. One to two c.c. may be injected hypodermically, intramuscularly or intravenously, or even intracardially in extremes. Coramine can be given with safety over a long period; it is much superior to camphor and its routine use greatly reduces the risk of post-operative collapse.

Pictorial Bandaging.—I

(1) WRONG METHOD: *starting with a circular instead of an oblique turn*

(3) WRONG METHOD: *Unrolling the bandage before applying it*

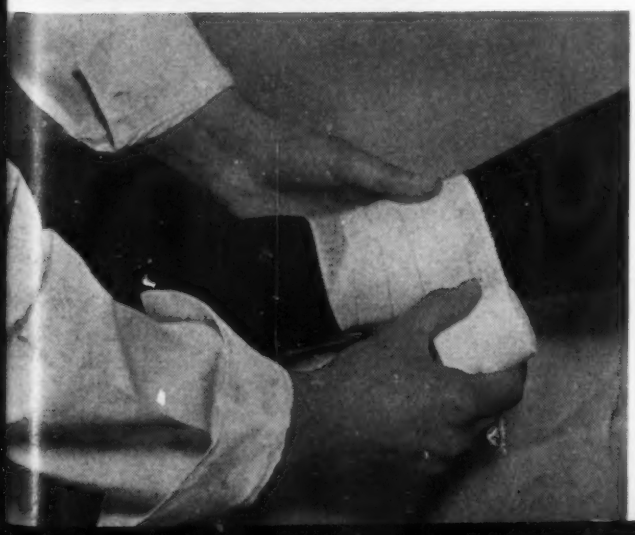


(2) WRONG METHOD: *starting an oblique turn*

GOOD bandaging is an art. A good bandage, like a well-tailored coat, fits the part and is thoroughly comfortable, no matter how long it has been worn. This series of articles is designed to help you to master the art of bandaging from photographs. We shall not start with a long list of rules, but will gradually build up these rules by showing you what to do and what not to do. The bandages are for the most part applied over a black stocking, so that the bandage turns show up well.

Our pictures this week show the correct method of bandaging with a roller bandage. There are three points about the start: (a) begin on the inside and bandage outwards, (b) begin from the bottom of the dressing or part and bandage upwards, (c) begin with an oblique turn so that the loose end is well covered by the subsequent turns and does not get pulled out and so loosen the whole bandage. (Figs. 1 and 2.)

The other pictures show you how to apply a roller bandage. It should be unrolled directly on to the limb or part (fig. 4); not unrolled and then put on. If the bandage is unrolled on the part, you get a firm, even pressure. If you unroll it first and then put it on (fig. 3), you have to pull to get it tight, and it will not lie in even a slight curve without a pucker.



(4) RIGHT METHOD: *unrolling the bandage on the part*

Nation's Fund for Nurses

Nurses' Appeal Committee

"All who joy would win must share it;
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Looking at our columns this week it is certain that a great deal of joy has been given, and surely in the words of Lord Byron, much happiness has been won in the giving. You have all been *wonderful* in your kindness and generosity this Christmas; you have made it a much happier time for dozens of needy and old nurses, and we send you our deep gratitude and very sincere wishes for your own Christmas. Thank you all very much indeed. If you have not yet sent in your contributions, remember, it is never too late. Do you think that we can reach that £4,600 by the end of the year?

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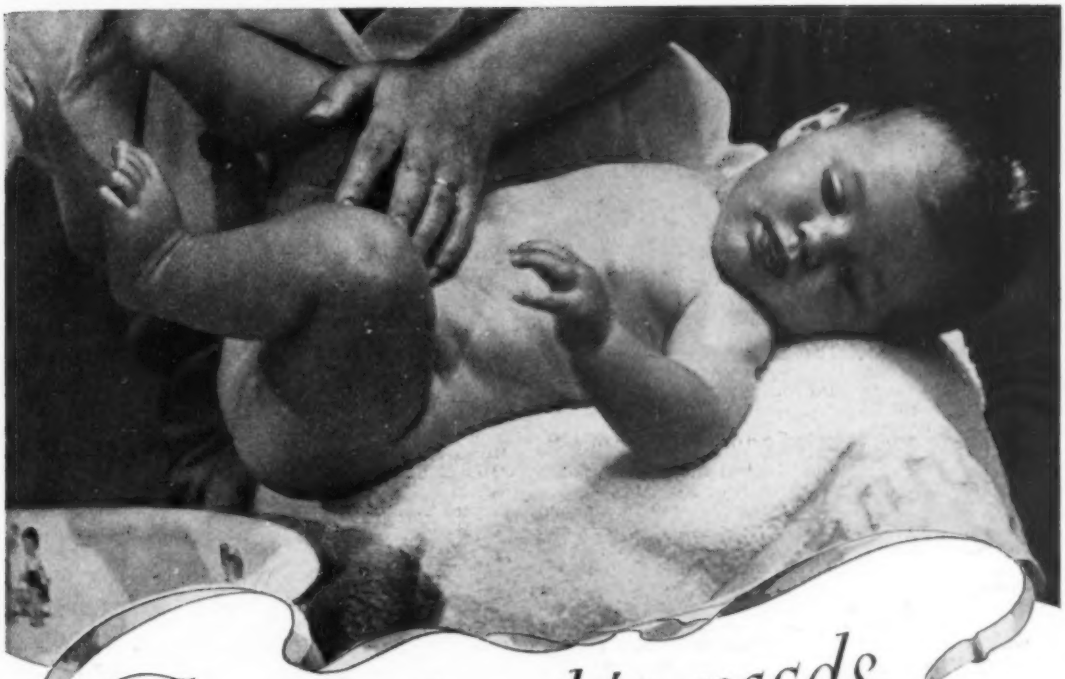

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Don'ts for Nurse-Actresses

THIS is the time of the year when the nurse turns actress. In hospitals throughout the country she gives her time and talents to getting up amateur theatricals for the seasonal entertainment of patients and staff. A few hints by an old hand at the game may therefore be opportune.

In the first place, it must be remembered that the success of an amateur show is not very easy to achieve, however great the energy and goodwill of those who give their services. Moreover, it is the more difficult when you have to exercise economy both in time and money. Nerves and temper may be sorely tried, so here are just a few "don'ts" for those of you who are making the venture for the first time.

Before the Night

Don't choose too long a play. It will be tedious if it lasts more than an hour.

Don't be over-ambitious. Find a play that almost "acts" itself, not one that demands great dramatic talent in the players.

Don't let the producer take a part. Choose a capable person as producer and then obey her instructions implicitly.

Don't cut down the number of rehearsals too much. A half-rehearsed show is an insult to the audience.

Don't begin rehearsing until all the players know their parts.

Don't imagine that it will be all right on the night if it is all wrong at rehearsal. This is a sad fallacy.

Don't complain of the bad acting of the other members of the cast (especially of those who have been allotted the chief parts).

Don't forget to make out a list of all "properties" required for the play. Let one nurse be responsible for this job.

When the Curtain Goes Up

Don't edge your way to the centre of the stage and try to push the other actors out of sight.

Don't over-act, especially in a small room. Many an amateur Hamlet sees his father's ghost from beginning to end of the play.

Don't talk to your feet. They may be elegant, but they are not your audience.

Don't whisper your lines if you are among the actors, nor bellow them if you are the prompter.

Don't, if you are lucky enough to win laughter or applause from the audience, continue with the play until the noise has ceased. But, if a supposed good line fails to get across, don't wait for a response that is not forthcoming.

E.T.

Correspondence

NOTE: Address to the Editor, "Nursing Times," c.o. Macmillan and Co., Ltd., St. Martin's Street, London, W.C.2. We are not necessarily in agreement with the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

Unpleasant and Humiliating

May I ask why it is necessary for patients to be inspected by a senior officer of the hospital before they may go home or be transferred to another ward? I think this procedure, which I have recently met with for the first time in my nursing career, is most unpleasant for the patient as well as humiliating to the ward sister who has been entrusted with the nursing of the patient.

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We Stand Corrected

I should like to point out that Princess Louise was not the only surviving daughter of Queen Victoria, (as you stated last week) for Princess Beatrice, the youngest daughter, is still alive. I enjoy your excellent paper very much and send it on every week to a friend of mine, a nursing sister in France.

"CANADIAN."

[*We, too, had noticed the slip, and have drawn attention to it in our News in Brief column on page 1517.*—ED.]

Thank You!

Many thanks for the gift book which you sent me for my crossword puzzle solution. The crosswords are not too easy to think out, and that makes them all the more enjoyable.

I think everyone who reads the *Nursing Times* enjoys its contents, and for me it still comes first among nursing papers.

E. RAWSON, S.R.N.

(*Other correspondence unavoidably held over.*)

SURGERY IN AIR RAIDS

We regret that owing to an oversight we omitted to state that the first part of the article on the above subject, which appeared last week, was a report of a lecture given by Dr. Trueta at the Royal College of Nursing on December 4. The illustrations and captions which accompanied Part I were taken from our files and we wish to express our regret that these were produced in a manner which might unintentionally suggest a political significance. This week's illustrations are reproduced from Dr. Trueta's text-book, of which a new edition giving the details of his method for application of plaster casts in air raid conditions has just appeared.

Your War-Time Knitting.—V

MATERIALS: 5 oz. "Greenock" double knitting or wheeling wool (obtainable at branches of the Scotch Wool and Hosiery Stores); set of knitting needles, No. 9; spare needle.

TENSION: 11 sts. to 2 ins. in width.

MEASUREMENTS: 17 inches from top of head to lower edge; 19 inches round face, unstretched.

ABBREVIATIONS: k., knit; sts., stitches; in., inch; tog., together.

* Cast on 25 sts. on one needle. K. the first row plain. *2nd row*: k. 1, make 1, k. 23, make 1, k. 1. *3rd row*: k. 1, make 1, k. 25, make 1, k. 1; continue increasing 1 st. at the beginning and end of every row till there are 45 sts. on the needle. K. plain for 5½ ins.

Now take the other two needles and repeat from * (this is to make the flap for back and front). Now join the two flaps and k. round and round, 3 plain and 3 purl, for 4 ins. Then place on a spare needle 21 sts.; this should be 4 plain ribs and 3 purl ones for under chin. Put the remaining sts. on two needles, and k. plain for 38 rows; this will be about 4 ins. * K. 15 sts., take 2 tog., k. remainder plain. Repeat from * until there are 42 sts.; ** k. 9 sts. and take 2 tog., repeat from ** until there are 25 sts. Decrease 4 times in each row till 5 sts. remain. Now with the four needles take up the loops at the ends of the plain rows, also the 21 sts. on the spare needle—there should be 114 sts. in all, including the 5 remaining on the needle. Now work in rib, round and round, as was done at first, taking care that the ribs match on to those which were on the spare needle. It is easier to k. plain the first row till these stitches are reached, and then begin ribbing. Work thus for 2½ ins. Cast off rather loosely.

Woollen Helmet with Ear Openings

Follow the instructions given, until the neck ribbing is completed. Then place on a spare needle 21 sts. This should be 4 plain ribs and 3 purl ones for under chin. Put the remaining sts. on two needles and k. plain for 10 rows.

Next row: k. 8 sts., turn, leaving the remaining sts. on a spare needle meantime. K. 16 rows on these 8 sts., leave. On centre 53 sts. k. 16 rows, leave. On remaining 8 sts. k. 16 rows. Now place all the sts. on one needle and k. 12 rows. This will measure about 4 ins., from ribbing. Complete helmet from " * K. 15 sts., take 2 tog., k. remainder plain."

Two Useful Books

FABER'S NURSE'S POCKET ENCYCLOPEDIA DIARY AND GUIDE, 1940.—*Revised by Hilda M. Gration, S.R.N., S.C.M., D.N.(Lond.). (Faber and Faber, Ltd., 24, Russell Square, W.C.1; price 1s. 6d. net, or, in cloth binding with pencil, 2s.)*

THIS is the thirty-fourth year in which this book has appeared, and the 1940 edition has been revised by Miss Gration, sister tutor at Guy's Hospital. In addition to the matter dealing with nursing technique, there is a concise directory of nursing institutions which contains much useful information about different nursing bodies, such as the General Nursing Councils for England and Wales, Scotland and Ireland, the Central Midwives Board, the Royal College of Nursing, and so on. At the end of the book there is an engagement calendar for midwives and private nurses, and also a diary. The book appears very conveniently in time to make a useful Christmas present for a nurse friend.

FIRST AID TO THE INJURED AND SICK: THE AMBULANCE VADE-MECUM (41st edition).—*Edited by Halliday Sutherland, M.D. (E. and S. Livingstone, 16-17, Teviot Place, Edinburgh; price 6d.)*

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Books for Christmas Presents

THAT time-worn jest about a book being ruled out as a present for so-and-so because he or she already has *a* book no longer raises a smile. For some years now the majority of us have turned to books with increasing avidity as the solution of our Christmas present problems. This year will be no exception to the rule, in fact we shall be buying and giving more, and still more, books. Not only is the time factor an important consideration—we learn that on January 1 an all-round increase in prices will come into force, and the 7s. 6d. novel, for example, will cost 8s. 3d.—but, in addition, the perils of the black-out will tend to keep us by our own firesides will serve to stimulate our love of reading.

Reading has long been a consolation for the dreariness of winter evenings. This winter, marooned on our small "islands," each at her own fireside, we shall seek a way of escape, not through the door of reality into the cold and fog of the winter's night, but by that other door—that "inward eye that is the bliss of solitude." Fettered as we are we shall nevertheless find ways of escape, and in imagination we will take the golden road that leads to Samarkand.

Our first book under review holds out just such an invitation to escape. Mr. Osbert Sitwell invites us. "Escape With Me," he says, and who could wish for a more delightful companion? To travel with him is to encounter many strange, wonderful and undreamt of delights. We exchange the humble hedge sparrow for the gorgeously coloured birds of the East "creations in salmon-pink and white and flame colour, with a touch of magenta and parma violet here and there," and the drab scene outside our windows gives way to glowing colours and exotic vistas. To travel with Mr. Sitwell is to "suffer a sea-change into something rich and strange."

Another travel book, which in some ways is more like a novel—it has a love story and a happy ending—is Mr. A. G. Macdonell's "Flight from a Lady." Perhaps the love story should be described as a hate story, at any rate until the last paragraph, for the author charters a plane and flies from London to the South Sea Islands to escape from his lady. But he writes to her—very frequently—to console and taunt her on having lost him, and his reflections on the state of Europe, as he sees so many countries spread beneath him, form the best part of the book.

Another book on international problems, Miss Prior's "Valley of Exile,"—a novel this time—has as its theme the effect of a change of nationality on the inhabitants of a village in what was formerly the Austrian Tyrol. The problems evoked by this new allegiance changed materially the lives of the aged Count and his family around whom the plot is centred. The conflicting loyalties arising from their divided allegiance—the son wishes to resist the Italians at all costs, whereas the daughter is in love with an Italian in the Diplomatic service—are powerfully described. Truly a novel for the times.

The story of Mr. Marquand's "Wickford Point" also centres round a family—the Brill family, and their estate, "Wickford Point." The story is told by a cousin, Jim Calder; he loves the estate unreservedly, but his attitude towards the Family is more critical. There is Cousin Clothilde, whose bank account is always overdrawn, Harry, incapable of holding down a job, and Sid who does not even want

to try to hold one. The whole presents an amusing picture of contemporary American life.

From the U.S.A. to China. Vicki Baum's "Nanking Road" has Shanghai as its setting; the time is two years ago, the eve of the Japanese invasion. In Shanghai's biggest hotel is an assortment of persons whose life histories are told by Vicki Baum with that gifted insight into human character that marked her earlier novels. "Nanking Road" will grip you and hold your attention from the first to the very last page.

Nearly every nurse likes to have at least one omnibus volume on her bookshelf, into which she can dip from time to time. Hugh Walpole's "The Herries Chronicle," presents four world-famous novels in one volume. It comprises 1,500 pages, covering 200 years of English history. This is sure to be a popular gift for practically everybody.

Anthologies, too, are liked by the majority of us. Lovers of Mary Webb will welcome the new "Mary Webb Anthology," in which published and unpublished works are woven together into one homogeneous whole. Poems, articles, excerpts from her novels and essays are all included, and there are four illustrations in colour and many in black and white by Rowland Hilder and Norman Hepple

Another anthology with a particular Christmas appeal is "The Christmas Companion" from which the turkey at the foot of this page has strayed. All tastes are catered for here, no matter whether you love Christmas or whether you are inclined to debunk it, you will find something to please you in this attractive volume.

Another popular book for Christmas parties, is Edward Shanks' "Do You Know?" It contains 100 sets of question papers, each containing 10 questions and covers the whole field of general knowledge.

And now for some books of general interest. At a time when we are being urged to grow our own food, Mr. Jason Hill's "Wild Foods of Britain" shows us how we can go out and gather all kinds of food for nothing—leaves, herbs, berries, fungi and seaweed, as well as flesh, fowl and fish to add variety to our menus if only we know where to find them. The author describes these foods and tells us where and when to find them, and gives many appetising recipes. A popular present for the housewife.

Many nurses have taken up embroidery as their hobby. Kathleen Mann's lovely picture book for grown-ups, "Design from Peasant Art," will delight not only those who are already interested in the subject of peasant art but those who have never before given it a thought. There are eight beautiful colour plates and 72 pages of drawings.

If you have a friend who is fond of needlework, there are two more books by the same author that will make an ideal Christmas present for her—"Appliqué Design and Method" and "Embroidery Design and Stitches."

As everyone knows, Queen Mary is Patron of the Royal College of Nursing. Miss Kathleen Woodward's "The Lady of Marlborough House" will have a special appeal for all College members. The author makes a new approach to a living royal personage in this new book about Queen Mary. Her Majesty has read the manuscript of the book and the author has observed her annotations.

Another book under royal patronage is "The Queen's Book of the Red Cross" described in a special message from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth as "my book." The proceeds are in aid of the Lord Mayor's Fund for the Red Cross and Order of St. John and 50 British authors and artists have contributed. By buying this book you will not only secure a very attractive addition to your bookshelf, you will also help a vital need.

"Rose Window" is another delightful gift-book the proceeds of which are to be devoted to charity, in this instance, St. Bartholomew's Hospital. A full notice of it appeared in our issue of December 2.

Finally there are the books that have an especial interest for members of the nursing profession. If you have already read George Sava's "Healing Knife," you will need no inducement to follow it up with the sequel "A Surgeon's Destiny," which fills in many of the gaps in the former volume and is full of "human interest."

Miss Gilbert's "Biography of the Unborn" will also be read with interest by every nurse and midwife—all the more, perhaps, because the story is one which we already know.

Books Mentioned

Escape With Me. By Osbert Sitwell. (Macmillan and Co., 12s. 6d.)

Flight from a Lady. By A. G. Macdonell. (Macmillan and Co., 7s. 6d.)

The Valley of Exile. By L. F. Loveday Prior. (John Murray, 8s. 6d.)

Wickford Point. By John P. Marquand. (Robert Hale, 8s. 6d.)

Nanking Road. By Vicki Baum. (Geoffrey Bles, 8s. 6d.)

The Herries Chronicle. By Hugh Walpole. (Macmillan and Co., 8s. 6d.)

A Mary Webb Anthology. Edited by H. B. L. Webb. (Jonathan Cape, 5s.)

The Christmas Companion. (Dent, 7s. 6d.)

Do You Know? A Question Book. By Edward Shanks. (Adam and Charles Black, 3s. 6d.)

Wild Foods of Britain. By Jason Hill. (Adam and Charles Black, 2s. 6d.)

Design from Peasant Art. By Kathleen Mann. (Adam and Charles Black, 12s. 6d.)

Appliqué Design and Method. By Kathleen Mann. (Adam and Charles Black, 3s. 6d.)

Embroidery Design and Stitches. By Kathleen Mann. (Adam and Charles Black, 3s. 6d.)

The Lady of Marlborough House. By Kathleen Woodward. (Jonathan Cape, 6s.)

The Queen's Book of the Red Cross. (Hodder and Stoughton, 5s.)

Rose Window. By Twenty-Five Authors. (William Heinemann, 7s. 6d.)

A Surgeon's Destiny. By George Sava. (Faber and Faber, 8s. 6d.)

Biography of the Unborn. By Margaret Shea Gilbert. (John Murray, 5s.).

Answers to the C.M.B. Questions

Question 3.—*What information may be gained by a vaginal examination during the second stage of labour?*

The following information may be gained by vaginal examination during the second stage of labour :—

(1) The nature of the presenting part. This is commonly the vertex, but may be the breech, face, brow, shoulder or cord.

(2) The position of the presenting part in relation to the pelvis. In vertex presentations this is normally with the occiput anterior, and is ascertained by noting the position of the sagittal suture and fontanelles.

(3) The height of the presenting part in the pelvis. In the second stage of labour the presenting part should be low enough in the birth canal to be reached very easily.

(4) The condition of the membranes, whether ruptured or intact.

(5) If the membranes have ruptured, the size of any caput may be gauged. A large caput indicates that descent is difficult for the foetus.

(6) The size of the pelvic outlet, whether adequate or small.

(7) The condition of the vaginal walls and perineum. These are normally warm and moist, and should never be hot and dry, or unduly rigid.

N.B.—As at all times, vaginal examination during the second stage of labour is made in order to confirm probable diagnosis made by other means. Therefore it should always be preceded by abdominal palpation and by very careful general consideration of the case.

Question 4.—*What precautions can a midwife take during labour and the puerperium to prevent the occurrence of puerperal sepsis?*

In order to prevent the occurrence of puerperal sepsis, the midwife should consider the possible sources from which the causative organisms may come. These are :—(1) The patient herself, (2) the professional attendants, (3) visitors or other members of the household, (4) other patients suffering from the disease, (5) the place of delivery, (6) the utensils and dressings, (7) bad obstetric and nursing technique. During labour and the puerperium the midwife can take the following precautions to stop the development of puerperal sepsis from these sources :—

(1) *The patient herself.*—A complete "all-over" wash or bath, with special attention to the area of waist to knees, before delivery, and daily in the puerperium, should be insisted upon for every patient. She should never be allowed to remain in soiled linen, and should have a frequent change of sanitary pads. Infection from the patient's own throat being carried to the vulva on her hands, should be prevented by smearing them with Dettol cream during delivery, and by instructing her not to handle the pads and vulva.

(2) *The professional attendants.*—An adequate mask, sterile gloves, and either sterile or washable clothing should be worn by those people attending labour. A special gown or apron is desirable throughout the puerperium. Conscientious attention should be given to "scrubbing-up" and to disinfection of the hands and forearms. No person who is suffering from a sore throat or any other septic focus should ever be allowed to attend the woman in labour, or during the lying-in period.

(3) *Visitors or other members of the household.*—In district practice it may be necessary to instruct the patient's friends that they are not allowed to undertake any nursing procedures. Sometimes it may be necessary to advocate isolation of some member of the household. In any case, whether in hospital or the home, only people in good health should be allowed to approach the mother's bedside.

(4) *Other patients.*—Cross infection from another patient is prevented by strict adherence to the aseptic and antiseptic technique, and by isolation of all "suspect" cases. In district practice, cross-infection should be very rare, as automatically the patients are separated from one another. Ideally, this isolation is further enhanced by having separate nursing tins and gowns for each case. In hospital it is usual to put a special nurse to attend any infectious case. In district work this is not always feasible, but cross-infection should be minimised by nursing the infected patient last, and by using an entirely separate outfit for her.

(5) *The place of delivery.*—This should be as clean as possible. In hospital this is easy, but in district work it may be very difficult. Tactful instruction in domestic cleanliness and hygiene should form a part of the midwife's duties.

(6) *The utensils and dressings.*—For delivery, and during the first week of the puerperium these should be sterile. In hospital this is usually done by boiling the utensils, and by submitting dressings to high pressure in an autoclave sterilizer. In district practice similar conditions may be attained by boiling, flaming, or preparing with pure lysol all utensils used. Wet dressings may be boiled, and dry dressings either baked in the oven or wrapped in grease-proof paper and steamed in an ordinary domestic steamer.

(7) *The obstetric and nursing technique.*—This should be efficient, so that at delivery no laceration of the vagina or perineum occurs, or if a tear has been unavoidable assistance should be obtained for satisfactory repair. During the puerperium conscientious attention should be given to the vulval toilet, and regular emptying of the bladder and bowels achieved. There should be careful supervision of the mother's diet and general comfort.

Strict adherence to the rules of practice as laid down by the Central Midwives Board will go a long way towards preventing the occurrence of sepsis.

EXAMINATION PAPER (Old Rules)

(1) Describe the afterbirth at term. What abnormalities of the placenta do you know ? How may they affect labour and the puerperium ?

(2) Describe in detail the nursing of a mother during the first week of the puerperium.

(3) A midwife who is conducting a breech labour has difficulty in delivering the after-coming head. What may be the causes of such a difficulty, and how should they be diagnosed and dealt with ?

(4) Describe in detail your examination of a primigravida at the 38th week of pregnancy.

(5) Describe the care and management of a premature baby, weighing four pounds at birth, during the first four weeks of its existence.

(6) Why is it desirable that a midwife should advise her patient to be examined by a doctor six weeks after her confinement ?

(*Candidates are advised to answer all the questions*)

Left: *The Rev. R. H. M. Bouth, chairman of the hospital board, presenting the Bouth gold medal to Miss Enid Richards at the Cheltenham General Hospital. Inset is Miss Mary Finnegan, who was awarded the book prize for nurses trained at the affiliated Evesham Hospital.* Below: *Miss Monk, President of the Royal College of Nursing, presenting the Cates trophy to Miss Thompson, winner in the speech-making contest at Sheffield last week.*

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News in Brief

Hospital Ball at Swansea

THIS year the annual Children's Ball will be held at Brangwyn Hall, Swansea, on Thursday, December 28.

Resigned from the River Emergency Service

MISS O. BAGGALLAY, M.B.E., and Miss McAllister have resigned their posts as superintendent sisters of the River Emergency Service.

For Finland, from Americans

Two ambulances, given and staffed by Americans, are shortly leaving France for Finland *via* Norway. The Spanish Red Cross is also to help the Finnish Red Cross and is discussing the despatch of technical experts and medical equipment.

"Oldest"—Not "Only"

WE should like to draw attention to an error which crept into our News in Brief column last week—the substitution of the word "only" for "oldest" in the announcement of the death of Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll. Her Royal Highness was the *oldest*, not the *only* surviving daughter of Queen Victoria.

Headquarters Now in America

THE headquarters of the International Council of Nurses has been transferred temporarily to the United States, as that is a neutral country and the President, Miss Effie Taylor, and the acting secretary, Miss Banwarth, live there. The address is 310, Cedar Street, New Haven, Connecticut, U.S.A. Fuller details will be given next week.

Middlesex Successes

ONE hundred and seven nurses entered for the Final Examination for nurses trained in Middlesex County Hospitals in October and of these 100 passed. Five obtained honours; Miss B. G. Best (gold medal), Central Middlesex Hospital; Miss K. J. Sharman (silver medal), Central Middlesex Hospital; Miss E. Phillips (silver medal), North Middlesex Hospital; Miss M. A. J. Dore, West Middlesex Hospital; Miss M. R. B. Strang, North Middlesex Hospital. Thirty-eight obtained a pass with credit.

Extensions at Truro

EXTENSIONS costing £90,000, including a new nurses' home (£14,000) were opened at Truro on December 4 at the Royal Cornwall Infirmary by the Lord-Lieutenant of Cornwall. The King sent a message of congratulation and those present at the ceremony included the Bishop of Truro, the Mayor and Mayoress, and, of course, the matron, Miss Peekes. The infirmary, which was founded in 1799 with 20 beds, now has 180.

Killed in the Black-Out

A PROBATIONER nurse, Miss P. M. Tunnicliffe, at Margate Hospital, was knocked down by a van and killed within a few yards of the hospital entrance recently.

Tennis Court for Nurses

A KIND friend has just promised to give a new hard tennis court for the nursing staff to the Royal Bucks County Hospital.

One Result of 48-hour Week

EXTENSIONS to the nurses' home at the North Riding Infirmary, Middlesbrough, costing nearly £7,000 and made necessary by the introduction of the 48-hour week, will be opened early in the New Year.

Coming Event

London Hospital, E.1.—Members of the London Hospital League of Nurses are asked to note the alteration in the time of the league meeting which is to be held at 1.30 p.m. on Saturday, January 13, and will be followed by tea.

Charcoal for Health

Carbon, with its natural affinity for impurities, is a useful blood purifier, for it absorbs waste products and carries them out of the system, thus relieving flatulence and many other annoying disorders of digestion. Nowadays charcoal is quite pleasant to take, and there are many different forms to choose from. For instance, J. L. Bragg, Ltd., 60, Beaconsfield Road, N.11, who have 50 years' experience of preparing wood charcoal for human consumption, offer it in capsules, granules, lozenges or in ordinary powder form, and many people—children especially—quite enjoy taking it. The biscuits come in air-tight tins at 1s. 9d., 3s. 3d. and 6s., and the granules are 2s. a tin. Powdered charcoal at 5s. for a large tin is the most economical type. Messrs. Bragg also make a charcoal dog biscuit and "Densylla," a tooth powder containing vegetable charcoal, which they recommend for improving the colour of the teeth.

Royal College of Nursing News

Membership forms may be obtained from the Secretary, Royal College of Nursing, 1a, Henrietta Place, Cavendish Square, W.1, or from local branch secretaries

Public Health Section

Local Report

BIRMINGHAM AND THREE COUNTIES BRANCH PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION.—A general meeting was held at the Garden Club, 166, Hagley Road, on December 2, with Miss N. Aston in the chair. Miss Irene Charley gave a most inspiring address on "What the Public Health Section Is Doing" and on "Industrial Nursing." It is hoped that there will be a better attendance at the next meeting when perhaps transport difficulties have solved themselves.

Branch Reports

Ayrshire Branch.—A meeting was held on December 7 at Heathfield Hospital to form a work party. Wool for knitting comforts for the Services was distributed. Miss Bowie gave a very interesting lecture on dietetics (the first of a series) which was greatly appreciated. She was accorded a hearty vote of thanks at the end. Tea was provided by Matron, Miss Cairns. It was agreed that the next meeting should be held at Heathfield Hospital on Tuesday, January 16.

Cambridge Branch.—The entertainment arranged for New Year's Day has been changed to Friday, December 29. The branch will be at-home at Addenbrooke's Hospital (by kind permission of the committee and Matron). Coffee will be served at 7.30 p.m. and will be followed by a play by the nursing staff and residents at 8.30 p.m. Will any nurses (not College members) who would like to attend please send their names by December 22 to Miss Kennett, Long Stanton Rectory, Cambridge. Woollen garments, Balaclava helmets, comforts of all sorts for the Christmas parcels for the crews of mine-sweepers should be sent by December 15.

Edinburgh Branch.—A general meeting was held on December 8 at the Nurses' Club. The chair was taken by Miss Milligan, in the absence of the president, Miss Marshall. Forty members were present and a warm welcome was extended to Miss Gillanders, matron of a Royal Naval Hospital, and to the non-College members to whom the meeting had been thrown open. The proposal from the chair, seconded by Mrs. Carlow, that retiring members of the Executive Committee and the hon. officers should be asked to consider serving for one more year, was agreed. Reports were received from Miss Milligan of the November Council meeting, from Miss Udell of the full Scottish Board meeting, also held in November, and from Miss Greig of the conference of branch representatives held in London on December 6. The work party report was submitted by Miss Butter £40 had been donated for material and with £3 from branch funds the "party" was free of debt, £39 17s. having been spent. A considerable quantity of wool had been received and was already distributed. Supplies had been delivered at the hospital and a letter of thanks and appreciation had been received. The secretary after her routine report intimated that one nurse, who owing to personal circumstances was unable to knit herself, had collected £15 for the wool fund.

Inverness Branch.—A very successful bridge and whist drive in aid of "Jock's Box" was held in the Columba Hotel on November 28. There was a large attendance, and all enjoyed a very pleasant evening. Before the prize-giving Dr. MacFadyen, on behalf of the branch, thanked all who gave their support, and especially Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Campbell and Mr. G. M. Tyrell for their able assistance. Mrs. A. C. Hamilton, president of the branch, presented the prizes.

London Branch.—It seems that the success of any event organised by the London branch is a foregone conclusion —even in war-time. The *thé dansant* at the College on December 9 (held in place of the usual annual bazaar), went with a swing from beginning to end. Many of the members now have duties far outside the London area but an amazing number managed to turn up just the same. Teas were served at one end of the Cowdray Hall and at the other St. Dunstan's band provided music which inspired more and more people to take the floor. There were dances both new and old—the "Palais Glide" and the "Chestnut Tree" as well as the polka and barn-dance. A "bring and buy" sale went on throughout the afternoon at a stall running the length of the hall, which looked sadly depleted by the end of the afternoon. Many of the purchases found their way to the Christmas tree in the front hall, to swell the pile of gifts which are distributed among nurses each year. The *thé dansant* was preceded by a meeting at which Miss Clunas presided. Other speakers were Miss Monk, President of the College, Miss Cowlin, and Miss MacAllister who gave an interesting account of the Thames Ambulance Service. It was decided that war work parties are to be held, twice a week on Mondays from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and onT uesdays from 2.30 to 5 p.m. at the College, starting with the New Year. Those who are able to crochet are particularly needed.

To Branch Secretaries

Branch secretaries are reminded that notices for the current issue must reach this office by the *first* post on the Monday before publication. As a result of war-time reductions in the number of postal collections and deliveries, delays are unavoidable, and secretaries are therefore advised to post early in the day and to allow a greater margin of time for delivery than in peace-time. Names of people and places should be written in block capitals, and notices should be typewritten or written legibly on one side of the paper only.

Christmas Vacation

The Royal College of Nursing, including the Library of of Nursing, will be closed from mid-day, Friday, December 22, to 9 a.m., Thursday, December 28.

New Members

Alger, K. F. M. (St. George's Hosp., S.W.1); Anderson (*née* Watt), E. (Royal Inf., Sunderland); Ashbrook, M. G. (Walton Hosp., Liverpool); Aubrey, G. R. (St. Andrew's Hosp., E.3); Bird, P. (Crumpsall Hosp., Manchester); Brophy, E. E. (St. Stephen's Hosp., S.W.10); Bryant, M. N. (County Hosp., Lincoln); Caregan, E. S. (Sharoe Green Hosp., Preston); Clarke, M. (Coventry and Warwickshire Hosp., Coventry); Coles, D. I. (Royal Inf., Bristol); Crowley, M. F. (City Hosp., Chester, and Municipal Hosp., Birkenhead); Cummins, H. (Royal Victoria Hosp., Belfast); Fisher, H. M. (Royal Inf., Glasgow); Ford, E. M. (Addenbrooke's Hosp., Cambridge); Furneaux, M. N. (Royal Devon and Exeter Hosp., Exeter); Gammell (*née* Ellis), E. (St. Vincent's Hosp., Sydney, Australia); Garrett, F. M. (St. Alfege's Hosp., S.E.10); Hall, E. M. (Warren Road Hosp., Guildford, and County Hosp., Kingston-on-Thames); Harland, C. M. (St. Bartholomew's Hosp., E.C.1); Heavyside, L. (Lambeth Hosp., S.E.11); Jones, E. (Clatterbridge General Hosp., Bebington); Millward, M. (Miller General Hosp., S.E.10); Newman, E. D. (Memorial Hosp., Peterborough); Peddie, A. D. (Western District Hosp., Glasgow); Roberts, M. (General and Eye Hosp., Swansea); Rogers, F. A. (Middlesex Hosp., W.1); Saunders, F. (Lambeth Hosp., S.E.11); Sayers, A. (City General Hosp., Sheffield); Sclater, E. M. (Royal Inf., Glasgow); Scrivener, K. J. (Bethnal Green Hosp., E.2); Shute, B. M. (Coventry and Warwickshire Hosp., Coventry); Smith, A. I. (Coventry and Warwickshire Hosp., Coventry); Sykes, E. M. (Royal Inf., Halifax); Thomas, E. (Hope Hosp., Salford); Warren, P. M. (Royal Inf., Leicester); Wilkinson, M. (Royal Inf., Manchester); Young-Thompson (*née* Bell), M. A. (St. Thomas's Hosp., S.E.1).

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RALPH B. CANNINGS,
Secretary.
(11)

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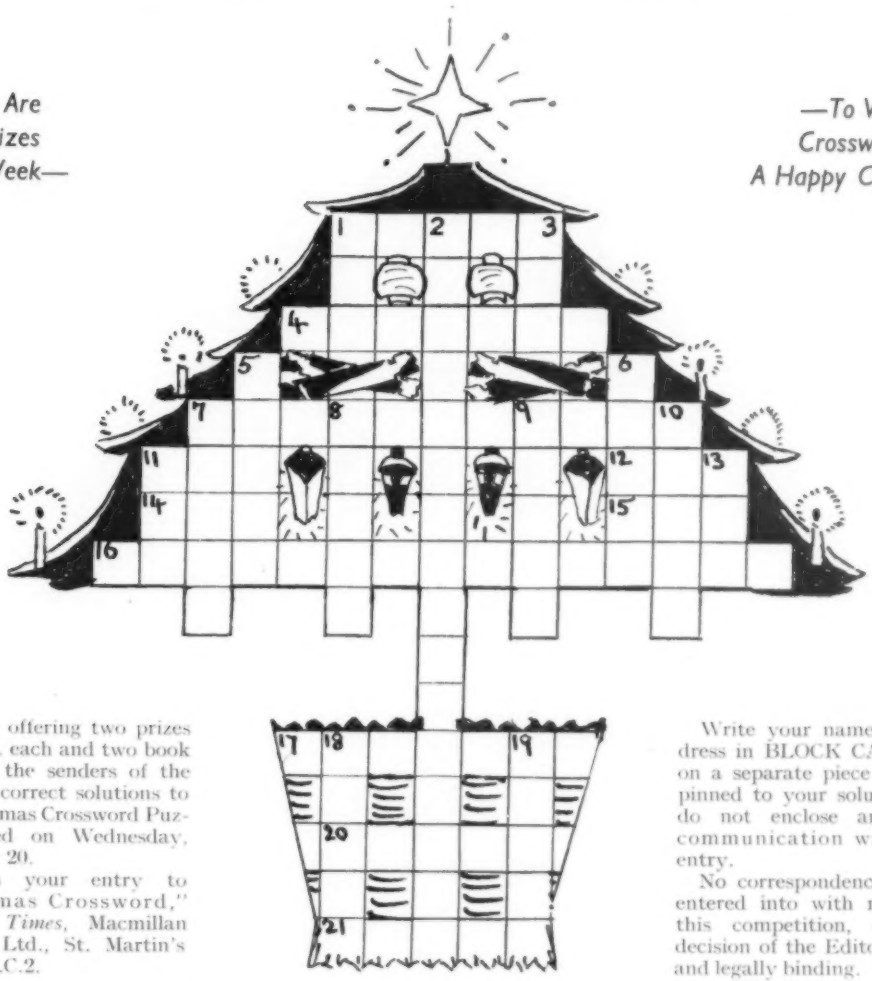

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No correspondence can be entered into with regard to this competition, and the decision of the Editor is final and legally binding.

Clues Across

1. Appertaining to birth.
4. Sounds of this by night.
7. These go with the season.
11. Be on pleasure bent.
12. You did this last Christmas dinner time.
14. A feeling forbidden at this time of the year.
15. Deserter of sinking ships
16. Greeting to our readers (three words).
17. Does the work of many fingers.
20. Much in demand to brighten decorations.
21. Traditionally Santa Claus makes his *via* the chimney.

Clues Down

1. Born (French).
2. What Christmas celebrates. (Four words)
3. Ancient Roman household diety.
5. An expensive creation.
6. A sailor is in the middle of this shortened thoroughfare.
7. Dickens immortalised several characters in this song.
8. Tragedies or comedies.
9. Fairylike.
10. Don't forget to put one on your Christmas letter.
11. Dance on its head.
13. A Greek letter sounds hungry.
18. One a day they say!
19. Vegetarians like this flavuor.

Solution to Puzzle No. 407

Across.—1, Fireside. 4, Trod. 7, Moorland. 9, Glib. 11, Used. 13, Inter. 16, Germ. 18, Rating. 20, Oppose. 21, Asks. 23, Clasp. 24, Nest. 28, Logs. 29, Overseer. 30, Tits. 31, Asbestos.

Down.—1, Fame. 2, Soles. 3, Denude. 5, Relation. 6, Debarred. 8, On. 10, Limp 12, Eggs. 14, Bracelet. 15, Straight. 17, Rose. 19, Nape. 22, Knaves. 25, Serge. 26, Me. 27, Arts.

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